

2026 APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR THE “*Bill and Joe Lawrence Scholarship*”

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Tar Heel Chapter of the ITPA has been awarding scholarships to college-bound students for more than 25 years. Tar Heel Chapter scholarships are available to family members of active chapter members.

In earlier years, students received awards from separately funded Tar Heel Chapter scholarships, all of which were merged in recent years into the Bill and Joe Lawrence Scholarship fund. Bill and Joe both worked for Heins Telephone Company. (The family of Isabelle Heins Lawrence, Bill’s wife, founded Heins Telephone Company.) Bill and Joe were dedicated Pioneers, and they established a fund that helps our Tar Heel Chapter continue awarding annual scholarships.

The scholarship is awarded annually to a college-bound student who is related to an active Tar Heel Chapter Pioneer. Tar Heel Pioneers who are pursuing a degree are also eligible. The scholarship check will be issued directly to the college or university in which the recipient is enrolled. The amount of the scholarship is determined annually dependent upon the number of eligible applicants.

ELIGIBILITY

Tar Heel Chapter members and families of members are eligible to apply. Pioneer members (regular, associate, auxiliary, or life member) must be current on their annual membership dues for 2026 to apply or to sponsor an applicant. The scholarship applicant must be enrolled in a graduate or undergraduate program in any field at an accredited college or university and must have maintained a 3.0 GPA for the most recently completed year (high school or college.) Applicants may apply for the scholarship each year they are enrolled in a graduate or undergraduate program.

APPLICATION

All applicants must complete the attached application and provide all additional information (letters of recommendation, transcripts, etc.) to the Chairman of the club’s scholarship committee directly, by e-mail or by U.S. mail with a **postmark date no later than May 1, 2026**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The scholarship committee will evaluate all eligible applications and decisions of the committee are final. The applicant(s) to whom the one-time scholarship is awarded will be notified by the scholarship committee by July 1, 2026.

“BILL AND JOE LAWRENCE SCHOLARSHIP” APPLICATION

Date _____

1. Full Name of Applicant:

First Middle Last

2. Permanent Address: _____
Street

City State Zip Code

3. Telephone Number: _____ Age: _____ Birth Date: _____ Sex: _____

4. Email Address: _____

5. Tar Heel Pioneer Club Member Sponsor: _____

6. Relationship to Pioneer Club Member (Sponsor): _____

7. Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) of Applicant:

8. Contact Information for Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s):

Street City

State Zip Code Telephone Number

9. High School(s) or Colleges Attended by Applicant:

School Name Date Entered Date Left or Completed

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10. Date of High School Graduation: _____

11. Other Schools or Colleges Attended (if applicable): _____

12. Marital Status: Single () Married () Divorced () Widowed () Separated ()

13. If married, enter your total number of dependents (children and spouse, if applicable): _____

14. College board, ACT or SAT scores (**include copy with application**): _____

15. Enclose a recent photograph of yourself.

II. LEADERSHIP QUALITIES (CONTINUED):

3. Extra-Curricular School Activities: (Including social or fraternal organizations)
 - a. Athletic participation:

 - b. Music participation

 - c. Dramatics:

 - d. Other:

4. Scout, YMCA, or similar activities:

5. Community Endeavors: (also include record of employment if student worked during school and/or summer, paper route, etc.).

III. CHARACTER (personality traits, etc.):

Provide three letters of recommendation directed to the Scholarship Committee, preferably from one business leader, one civic or religious leaders, and one other person who has known you or your family for at least four years. Contact information of sender must be included in letter.

IV. FINANCIAL QUALIFICATIONS:

To be used by dependent children applying for scholarship: Check proper bracket indicating combined gross income of your parents or legal guardians:

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|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|-----|
| a. Below \$15,000 | () | d. Between \$45,000 and \$65,000 | () |
| b. Between \$15,000 and \$30,000 | () | e. Between \$65,000 and \$100,000 | () |
| c. Between \$30,000 and \$45,000 | () | f. Over \$100,000 | () |

1. How many other children qualify as dependents for your parents? _____
2. Are any of those dependent children attending college currently or previously? _____
3. If yes, how many? _____

IV. FINANCIAL NEEDS CONTINUED:

4. Do your parents have any dependents other than children or do they contribute toward the support of another member of the family? _____ If yes, explain below:

V. COLLEGE INFORMATION

What college do expect to attend: _____

In what field do you expect to specialize? _____

Why have you chosen this field? _____

What is the amount of tuition, required fees and room and board at the college you wish to attend next year? _____

Have you or do you intend to apply for some other scholarship grant or aid? Yes ___ No ___
If "yes" is your answer above, to what organization have you applied; what is the maximum benefit you may receive and when will you be advised of the results of your application?

VI. OTHER

You may, if you wish, submit any other information, by attachment hereto, that you believe may be of value and interest to the committee in considering this application.

IMPORTANT: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all required information (completed application, transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc.) is delivered to the Scholarship Committee directly, by e-mail, or sent via U.S. Mail with a postmark date **no later than May 1, 2026**, in order for the application to be considered. The applicant to whom a one-time scholarship is awarded will be notified by the scholarship committee by July 1, 2026.

Vickie Jolly, Scholarship Committee Chairperson
148 John Ward Road
Lexington, North Carolina 27295
e-mail: vjapp72@yahoo.com

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

Applicant's Signature and Date

Pioneer Sponsor Signature
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