

Scholarship Application
for the
Bookmarks -
Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library
Scholarship



Bookmarks - Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library is a 501(c)(3) organization pleased to announce a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to a college or technical school bound student who has a passion for his or her intended career choice.

***“Purpose is the reason you journey,
Passion is the fire that lights the way.”***

Author unknown

Applications are available beginning February 5, 2024 by

Downloading from our Website: friendsofctwazlibrary.org

Or email request to: bookmarks1@outlook.com

Application Deadline - March 29, 2024

Scholarship Information

Eligibility

To be eligible for the 2024 Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library scholarship, the student must meet the following requirements:

- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Full time student accepted to an accredited college or trade school as of the Fall 2024 semester.
- Resident of the Mingus Union High School district attending high school, a private or charter school, or homeschool.

Scholarship Selection

The Scholarship Selection Committee is made up of individuals named by the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Cottonwood Library. The committee will review the applications and select the award recipient on an impartial basis. An in-person or telephone interview may be part of the selection process. If there is no suitable candidate for the scholarship as deemed by the committee, a scholarship will not be given for that year.

Scholarship Notification

The award will be announced no later than **May 1, 2024**. The scholarship recipient will be notified by email and/or phone within 24 hours of the selection committee's decision. In addition, the scholarship winner's name and photo will be posted on the Friends of the Library website and Facebook page.

Scholarship Amount and Payment

The amount of the scholarship will be \$1,000.00 and a one-time only scholarship. The scholarship payment will be made to the recipients school account no later than August 1, 2024. Additional scholarships may be awarded if more funding becomes available.

Applying for the Scholarship

Application forms availability:

Applications will be available beginning **February 5, 2024** in the following ways:

School Guidance Department

Cottonwood Library

Downloaded from our website: friendsofctwazlibrary.org

Or by email request to: bookmarks1@outlook.com.

When to Apply: Scholarship applications for the fall 2024 semester will be accepted from February 5 - March 29, 2024.

How to submit your application: When you have completed all **four sections** of the application, staple your application together and follow the delivery instructions below. To be considered for the scholarship, you must either:

Drop off the completed application to a staff member at the Cottonwood Public Library before the close of business, 5 p.m., **Friday, March 29, 2024.**

OR

Mail your application, postmarked no later than **Friday, March 29, 2024** to:

Scholarship Committee
Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library
100 S. 6th Street
Cottonwood, AZ 86326

Application information will not be returned.
To verify that your application has been received, contact the Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library at bookmarks1@outlook.com

Applicant Information - Part 1

Full Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Cell/Text Number _____ Alternate Phone _____

School You Attend _____

(If any contact information changes, please notify the Friends of the Cottonwood Public Library at bookmarks1@outlook.com. This includes school enrollment.)

College or Trade School Information

Name of School _____

Address _____

Essay Requirement - Part 2

Please write a minimum one page, double spaced essay describing *your passion* for the career path you are choosing. Include what has led you to this choice and what activities you are currently participating in that will prepare you for your future. Also state how long you have been considering your career choice. Correct spelling and punctuation will be part of the selection process.

Transcript - Part 3

Provide one school issued current **official** transcript, which includes the school seal. A 2.5 GPA is required.

Recommendation Letter - Part 4

Provide a school issued letter of recommendation from a teacher, instructor or counselor on school letterhead with writer's contact information provided.

By signing this document, I acknowledge the following:

1. The information and essay presented in this application is my own original work.
2. Permission is granted to the Friends of the Cottonwood Library to use my name and photograph in library related public relations activities through the use of a variety of media.
3. I have read and understand the scholarship requirements and agree to return in full the scholarship award if I do not fulfill the requirements.

Applicant's Signature

_____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian

Signature (if under 18) _____ Date _____

*Thank you for your interest in our Scholarship.
We wish you success in all your career endeavors.*