

Elizabeth B. Crews Scholarship Application Essay Instructions

A completed application must include:

- Your name and page number in the header of each page of the essay
 - All Letters of Recommendation must be uploaded to website
 - Must include Electronic Signature
 - Must Upload a recent *Head Shot* (picture) in digital format
 - Complete application is found at oakgroveame.org
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First Time Applicant ONLY

- A 1000 Word Essay containing 2 specific topics that must address the following:
1. **Academic Topic: A 500-word essay that addresses your academic life from ninth – twelfth grade:**
 - Tell the scholarship committee about yourself (interests, hobbies, talents)
 - What are your goals for higher learning and what skills have you obtained in high school that will contribute to successfully enter and complete a college degree?
 - What service-learning activities were you involved with and what did they mean to you?
 - What challenges do you have or barriers that may exist in your life that may compromise your academic achievement? How have you prepared yourself to work through these challenges?
 2. **Spiritual Life: 500 word essay answering the following questions:**
 - How long have you been a member of Oak Grove and what ministries are you actively a member?
 - Are you a Christian and what does it mean to be Christian?
 - Is your faith an active part of your daily life and how does your faith walk and experience influence your daily decisions and life goals?

Renewal Applicant (update)

1. **Academic Topic:** A 500-word essay that addresses the academic life over the past year:
 - What service-learning activities have you been engaged with?
 - Is community/social activism an integral part of your college experience? If so, describe what, how, and why

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you are passionate about “this” issue? In what way have you participated in activism as par campus life?

- What were your academic goals; did you meet them and if not, how did you work through them?
- How has your life changed in the last year? (improved, changed, challenges you have faced and how have you overcome them?)

2. Spiritual Topic: A 500-word essay that describes the following:

- How have you been engaged in a spirit-filled life/activities over the past year?
- Describe what you have learned (life application) according to:
 - scripture
 - reason
 - tradition
 - experience
- Describe how your life has been impacted by your spiritual experiences.