



## The Bethlehem Association Scholarship Fund

P.O. Box 1111  
Media, PA 19063 USA

[www.bethlehemassoc.org](http://www.bethlehemassoc.org)

E-mail: [Bethsoc@gmail.com](mailto:Bethsoc@gmail.com)

### APPLICATION FOR TUITION AID

Please read carefully the enclosed "Guidelines for Tuition Aid" before completing this application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

This application is for the academic year: 2024 - 2025

Deadline for receiving this application: JULY 15, 2024

#### I. General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

Middle

Name in Arabic

Present address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street or Locality

P.O. Box

Town

State/Country

Telephone

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of origin in Palestine: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

#### II. Academic Information

Department: \_\_\_\_\_  Undergraduate  Graduate

Name and phone no. of department head \_\_\_\_\_

Year in school: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Units completed: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (Average): \_\_\_\_\_

Degree pursued: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

High School(s) attended, give dates: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Ultimate academic goals and objectives: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### III. Personal Information

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of brothers/sisters living at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of brothers/sisters in school: \_\_\_\_\_ in college: \_\_\_\_\_ working: \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

### IV. Financial Status

Father's (guardian's) name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Is father employed? \_\_\_\_\_ His profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Is mother employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Her profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Family's source of income: \_\_\_\_\_

Family's monthly income (in US dollars): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Family's monthly expenses (in US dollars): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated expenses for academic year, Tuition: \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Books: \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Available funds from family, savings, and all other sources : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

University financial aid or tuition waiver: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

List other organizations to whom you have applied for financial aid (Answering this question does not affect your chances of receiving help from BA): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Special circumstances that may affect your financial situation: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date

### VI. Mailing Applications

Please air mail your completed and signed application, along with all required documents, before the specified deadline to BA's Media address:

**The Bethlehem Association**  
**Scholarship Fund**  
P.O. Box 1111  
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*The Bethlehem Association is a non-political, non-profit, tax-exempt, charitable and cultural institution.*



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### RECOMMENDATION FORM

#### To be completed by the student:

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ University: \_\_\_\_\_  
Field of study/major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (Average): \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

#### To be completed by the person making the recommendation:

The student named above is applying for tuition aid from The Bethlehem Association (BA). Please complete this form and mail it directly to BA at the above address. All information will be kept confidential. The student's application will not be considered until we receive this completed recommendation. (The Deadline is July 15). Thank You.

1. Your name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_
2. How long have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_
3. In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How do you rank this student in comparison to others in his/her class?  
Top 5% \_\_\_\_\_ Top 10% \_\_\_\_\_ Top 25% \_\_\_\_\_ Average \_\_\_\_\_ Below Average \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please complete the following by checking the appropriate column:

	Excellent	V. Good	Good	Average	Below Average	N/A
Academic Achievement						
Communication: Oral						
Communication: Written						
Critical Thinking & Analysis						
Motivation						
Responsibility						
Initiative						

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other information that might help us evaluate this student's request for tuition aid: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you recommend this student for tuition aid? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## GUIDELINES FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS — 2023-24

The Bethlehem Association (BA) scholarships are intended to help needy students from the Bethlehem region which has been suffering from desperately poor conditions. The scholarships are coordinated with Bethlehem University and are granted to qualified students attending the University and who meet the Association's academic and financial need requirements. Scholarships are granted to members of the Bethlehem community at large and no distinction is made with regard to sex, religion, creed or membership. Family sponsored scholarships are granted to all students; only if qualified applicants from the same family are selected they are normally assigned to the corresponding family scholarship. Scholarships are awarded on an annual basis and are normally announced at the beginning of the Fall semester. Tuition aid is disbursed on a semester basis and renewals depend on academic performance. Students interested in continued funding must submit a performance report at the end of the Fall semester **and send a complete new application by July 15 of each year with their latest grade report.**

### Required Documents

1. A neatly completed and signed Tuition Aid Application. It must be mailed to the above address **before July 15 of the year of application**. An original is required, therefore the application must be sent by air mail. No faxed applications will be accepted.
2. A certified official transcript of past grades preferably sent directly by the University.
3. Entering freshmen must submit Tawjihi scores and their secondary school report together with an acceptance letter from the University. These should be sent separately as soon as they are available.
4. A confidential performance report from the University or school attended. It must be completed and signed by the recommending professor or teacher on the BA-4 form and mailed directly to BA.
5. Awardees must furnish an official grade report to BA upon completion of each semester. If grades show good progress, BA will extend the award to the following semester.
6. All awardees must participate in a group photo taken by the University once a year.
7. All awardees must send a letter of thanks once a year addressed to the Chairman, Scholarship Committee at the address above, recognizing the help they are being granted and the Family sponsors of their scholarship. They may enclose individual photos if they wish. This letter will be sent to the sponsoring families and may be published on the BA website or newsletter. The letters must be written by the students in Arabic or English. Students must use the sample layout on page-2.
8. All documents must be sent by air mail or Email. This is because fax transmissions are often not clear, especially with photos, and the enclosed transcripts and certificates are not verifiable. Students must plan, neatly prepare and mail their applications and letters well before the deadline. All awardees must participate in a group photo taken by the University once a year.
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### Other Requirements

1. The student is expected to maintain high academic performance: a cum. GPA higher than 2.50, or a percentage grade above 70%. For entering students Tawjihi grades above 75% and high school diploma grades above 80% are required. Grades are an important factor in awarding and renewing grants.
2. All scholarships awarded by BA are a grant to defray tuition fees and will be paid directly to Bethlehem University.
3. Students who accept a BA scholarship must complete their degrees and may not withdraw from the University before they graduate. A student who for any reason withdraws from the University before graduating will be required to reimburse the Association all past tuition grants made on his/her behalf.
4. An award by BA is made with the understanding that the Association has no obligation to provide other or additional support for the grantee.

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**All applicants must sign below and enclose this signed page with their completed application:**

*I have carefully read and understood the above requirements and guidelines. If I do not meet the above deadline and requirements the Bethlehem Association will not review or consider my application.*

Name:

Signature:

Date:

**REQUIRED LAYOUT OF THANK YOU LETTERS**  
MUST BE SENT BY AIR MAIL  
OR AS AN ATTACHMENT BY E-MAIL TO: **Bethsoc@gmail.com**

Dr. Edward A. Hazboun,  
Chairman, Scholarship Committee,  
Bethlehem Association,  
P.O.Box 1111,  
Media, PA 19063  
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Student's full name:  
Full address:  
  
Phone no.:  
Email :

Date:

Subject:

**TEXT OF LETTER:** All awardees must send, once a year, a letter of thanks to the chairman of the scholarship committee recognizing the help they are being granted and naming the Family sponsors of their scholarship. They should enclose individual photos, all photos must be in a separate .JPG format file when transmitted by E-mail. The letter must be well written and properly dated; it may be in Arabic or English and must follow the format illustrated here:

Dear Dr. Hazboun: