



**Gary Keisling ACCESS Scholarship**  
*Ashworth College Continuing Education for Student Success*

**Academic Scholarship Application for  
James Madison High School Freshmen  
Entering January 2018**

The **ACCESS Scholarship for James Madison High School** students is a four year high school program scholarship including all tuition subject to details and requirements.

Requirements include a renewable one year scholarship for one year equivalent of courses, two semesters, renewable on annual basis subject to academic satisfactory progress requirements.

The Gary Keisling ACCESS Scholarship Program offers up to 22 scholarships each year to new students who are interested in pursuing their education online in one of Ashworth's 115-plus high school, career, and degree programs. Each student will be given fair and equal treatment in the reviewing process.

**1. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS TIMELINE**

All student applicants must read and understand this section.

- **APPLICATION AVAILABLE:** January 1, 2018 – Scholarship information and applications are available.
- **APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** March 1, 2018 – All scholarship applications and materials must be received between January 1 and March 1, 2018. For transfer students into a high school program, the high school program application must be completed by this deadline and on file with the Registrar.
- **Early, late, or incomplete applications will not be considered for this scholarship.**
- **RECIPIENT ANNOUNCEMENT:** April 2, 2018 – Recipients will be announced.
- **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED:** April 16, 2018 – Awards will be applied to students' program registrations.



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## 2. SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS AND REQUIREMENTS

All student applicants must read and understand this section.

- The James Madison High School scholarship is open to first time freshman students or transfer students enrolled after January 1.
- Incoming first time freshman students must have an 8<sup>th</sup> grade GPA of 3.0 or better, or equivalent. Transfer students must have an incoming transcript GPA of 3.00 or better.
- This application and the information contained here is for the guidance of students and James Madison High School personnel and does not constitute a contract or legal document.
- Submit your application through the electronic process outlined below in Section 3. If you are under 18 years old, you will need to provide a parent or guardian signature and contact information.
- Official transcripts are required; unofficial transcripts will not be accepted. Applications with unofficial transcripts are considered incomplete.
- Scholarship offerings and requirements are subject to change each award year. The window for scholarship submission is January 1 to March 1 of each year. No early submissions will be accepted.
- Satisfactory Academic Progress Requirements: Recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA throughout their program of study, and complete two semesters of courses within one year otherwise the scholarship is void and the student is liable for the tuition cost.
- Annual Renewal: The scholarship requirements are reviewed annually for renewal. Renewal each year of all academic scholarships is contingent upon full-time enrollment with a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or better, and timely completion of courses.
- Student Engagement Requirements: Recipients will be required to participate in selected community events as an ambassador for their program and to promote educational access.
- Students may receive only one scholarship through the James Madison High School Scholarship Program. *If awarded, make sure to maintain the required GPA for the annual renewal requirement.*
- JMHS does not guarantee receipt of scholarship applications if not submitted through the online electronic application process.
- If you have questions, contact the Office of the Registrar at 800.224.7234.



### **3. APPLICATION MATERIALS**

All student applicants must read and understand this section.

All applicants must submit the appropriate program's application materials. This includes an application form, essay and transcripts.

- **Online Materials**

- **Academic Scholarship Application**

- Submit a completed application bearing the student's signature and date of application. If Applicant is under 18 then a parent or guardian's signature is required for a complete application.

- **Essay**

- The essay is to be 250 to 500 words in length.

- ESSAY PROMPT: Write a persuasive essay on why you would be a good candidate for the ACCESS scholarship based on your high school aspirations and goals and by providing three reasons why access to high school is important to you. Include work experience, extra-curricular, volunteer work, and / or a personal story about access to high school.

- **SUBMISSION**

- Submit the completed application and essay to the following email address:

- [ACCESS-HighSchool@ashworthcollege.edu](mailto:ACCESS-HighSchool@ashworthcollege.edu)

- **Transcripts**

- **First time Freshman Students** – Applicants for a scholarship must have an appropriate 8<sup>th</sup> grade transcript on file with the Office of Registrar by the deadline. Complete the Transcript section in the application. Transcript must have a qualifying unweighted GPA of 3.00 or better, or equivalent.

- **Transfer Students** - Applicants for a scholarship must have an appropriate transcript on file with the Office of Registrar by the deadline. Complete the Transcript section in the application. Submitted transcript must have a qualifying unweighted GPA of 3.00 or better, or equivalent.



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## 4. STUDENT INFORMATION

All student applicants must complete this section.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Check one:

- Academic Program
- General Program

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. 8th GRADE SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade School from which Student Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Grade Point Average (Unweighted, based on a 4.00 scale): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduated:  Yes  No  In progress Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. TRANSCRIPTS

All student applicants must complete this section.

- **Existing or Transfer Student**

James Madison High School Student ID: # \_\_\_\_\_

You are enrolled in:

- Academic Program
- General Program

- **Transcript Mailing Address**

Official transcripts are required and should be sent to the address below. Official transcripts are sent directly from the previous school to James Madison High School. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted. Applications with unofficial transcripts are considered incomplete.

ATTN: Registrar, ACCESS Scholarship  
James Madison High School  
6625 The Corners Parkway  
Norcross, GA 30092



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## 7. RELEASE OF INFORMATION

By checking this box, you agree to allow Ashworth College to use your essay and photo for promotional purposes. Submitting a photo with your application is optional.

## 8. SIGNATURE

All student applicants must read and understand this section.  
*Applications must be submitted through the e-mail provided and must be signed before James Madison High School can guarantee receipt of scholarship application.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## 9. PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Students who are under 18 years old are required to provide information on their parents or guardians.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_  
eMail of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*(If applicant is under 18 years old, the parent/guardian information and signature is required before application can be accepted.)*



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

## 10. ESSAY

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