



2016 - 2017

A. EARL POTTS SCHOLARSHIP OF THE ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

(Eligibility Requirements on Reverse Side)

Deadline for application: Fall - October 15 Spring - March 15

Applicant's Name _____ SU ID Number _____

I hereby apply for an A. EARL POTTS SCHOLARSHIP from the Alabama Baptist State Convention in the amount of \$750.00 for the academic year (\$375.00 for the fall semester and \$375.00 for the spring semester). I have applied for admission as an entering, first-time, full-time freshman where I will begin my education in the 2016-2017 academic year. (Scholarships are awarded in the fall and spring semesters only). This is a one year only scholarship. It is not renewable.

Career Goal (*Undecided* is not acceptable)

Occupation of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Student

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Address

City State Zip

Pastoral Certification:

I certify that the above student is an active member of the _____ Baptist Church located in _____, AL, which is co-operating with the **Alabama Baptist State Convention of the Southern Baptist Convention (required)** in the _____ Association.

I recommend that this student receive this scholarship.

Signature of Pastor

Name of Pastor

Church Address

City State Zip

Please return completed form to address or fax below.

Office of Financial Aid Use Only:

This is to certify that on _____ the above student was accepted for admission.

Financial Aid Officer

Samford University Office of Financial Aid - 800 Lakeshore Drive - Birmingham, AL 35229

Phone Number: (205) 726-2905 - Fax Number: (205)726-2738 - Email: ofa@samford.edu

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

This scholarship is known as A. Earl Potts Scholarship of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. The scholarship is named in honor of A. Earl Potts, a former executive director of the State Board of Missions (1984-1990).

To be eligible, a student must be:

- an entering, first-time freshman
- an active member of a cooperating Alabama Baptist State Convention church
- accepted as a full-time student by Samford University
- recommended by his or her pastor

This scholarship is not available to:

- recipients of Board of Aid for Students in Church-Related Vocations scholarships, which provides generous assistance to students preparing for a Christian vocation
- dependents of ordained ministers serving in the Alabama Baptist State Convention
- dependents of full-time employees of our Baptist schools
- students with full-tuition scholarships

The Executive Office of the State Board of Missions must receive all applications by **October 15** for fall semester and **March 15** for spring semester.

The financial aid officer of each institution will send completed applications of those who qualify for awards to the Executive Office of the State Board of Missions, and in turn the student will be notified of the award.

When the school certifies to the Alabama Baptist Convention that the student has been admitted, a certificate for this scholarship will be mailed to the pastor at the church address. **The pastor will present the certificate to the student. The money will not post to the student's account until the certificate is returned to the school.** One half of the scholarship will be granted at the beginning of each of the two semesters.

The scholarships will be awarded in the order in which applications are received and approved.

It is the responsibility of the student to submit the certificate to the Office of Financial Aid as soon as it is received. The certificate is the document that authorizes payment of the scholarship.

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