

THE SOUTHERN BANK COMPANY

2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Dear Student,

The Southern Bank Company has been a proud member of your community for many years. This year we are again offering high school students in Etowah County, Cherokee County and Marshall County a chance to be awarded one of three, \$1,000.00 scholarships to the college of their choice for the fall 2017 semester.

Please review the official rules below and complete the application on the reverse page. All applications must be postmarked prior to the April 28, 2017 deadline. Please mail the completed application and required essay to: The Southern Bank Company - Attn: Marketing Department, P.O. Box 1130 Gadsden, AL 35902. You may also call (256) 543-3860 if you have any questions or visit our website www.sobanco.com.

Thank you,

Kim Clevenger – The Southern Bank Company

OFFICIAL RULES FOR THE SOUTHERN BANK COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - 2017

1. Student must be a currently enrolled high school senior with a minimum 2.0 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale)
2. Applicants must complete the scholarship application on the reverse page and submit a one page essay.
3. All applications must be postmarked prior to the April 28, 2017 deadline.
4. Scholarships will be made payable directly to the enrolled college or technical school for the benefit of the registered student, unless The Southern Bank Company chooses an alternate method of payment.
5. Applicants are solely responsible for providing accurate information to The Southern Bank Company. Recipients may be required to verify enrollment in accredited college before funds are awarded.
6. Recipients are fully responsible for all applicable federal, state and local taxes and fees.
7. This award may affect the amount of other financial aid that a student is qualified for or may receive.
8. The Southern Bank Company will establish a Scholarship Committee. Scholarship Committee decisions are final. By participating and redeeming the award, the recipient agrees to these Rules and releases The Southern Bank Company and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability with respect to the award. The recipient agrees to the use of his/her name, address and photograph, and/or biographical information for advertising or publicity purposes, without further compensation.
9. Scholarship winners will be notified May 2017.

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Full Name: _____ Current GPA: _____

Current Grade: _____ High School: _____

Home Address: _____

Cell or Phone# : _____ Email Address: _____

College Attending: _____ Are you currently enrolled in that college? _____

SECTION 1 - QUESTIONS

1. Define Community: _____

2. In what way do you impact your community positively? _____

3. Why do you feel this is important? _____

4. Why do you want to go to college? _____

5. What are your career goals? _____

6. Please give two personal references with contact information: _____

SECTION 2 - ESSAY QUESTION

****Please attach a one page essay****

Essay topic: "Technology has drastically changed banking over the past few years. Do you think this trend will continue? What changes would you predict for the banking industry over the next few years? What do you think banking will look like in 10 years? "

SECTION 3 – SIGNATURE AND DISCLAIMER : *I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of the information on this application. I understand that The Southern Bank Company Scholarship Committee will review all the information provided. If awarded a scholarship, I agree to the use of my name, address, photograph and/or biographical information for advertising or publicity purposes, without further compensation. I agree to the Rules and release The Southern Bank Company and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability with respect to the award.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____