



Tazewell County Regional Office of Education #53

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FRANK B. STOWE SCHOLARSHIP

INTRODUCTION

The Tazewell County Regional Office of Education #53 in cooperation with the Deer Creek – Mackinaw Education Foundation (DCMEF) announces the establishment of the *Frank B. Stowe Scholarship* to be awarded annually to a candidate enrolled in or accepted to an accredited program in school counseling. Scholarships will be awarded to Tazewell County candidates on a rotating basis by a blind draw, which has been determined as follows: 1. Deer Creek-Mackinaw; 2. Pekin; 3. East Peoria; 4. Morton; 5. Washington; 6. Delavan; and, 7. Tremont.

AWARD

The *Frank B. Stowe Scholarship* will award a \$5,000 scholarship annually to the successful candidate enrolled in or accepted to an accredited program in school counseling. The award will be made directly to the college or university. Consideration of the applicants will be as follows:

- An educator currently employed within Tazewell County; or,
- A graduate of a Tazewell County high school, seeking a degree in school counseling.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed *Frank B. Stowe Scholarship* Application Form.
2. Submission of an essay. The essay should provide insight to the selection committee into the candidates' character, strengths and why you have chosen to pursue a degree in school counseling. Further the essay should be typed; double spaced, and not exceed one (1) page in length.
3. Two letters of recommendation from either instructors, employers or any other significant adult in your life, with the exception of family members.
4. Proof of enrollment at a college or university. This shall include a copy of the acceptance letter as well as a copy of your class schedule.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications should be submitted to the *Frank B. Stowe Scholarship*, P.O. Box 621, Mackinaw, Illinois 61755. All application materials must be received no later than June 15th.

CRITERIA

The successful candidates will be determined by completion of the application and submission of the essay.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee will be appointed by the Tazewell County Regional Office of Education with representation from the awarding school. The final decision for the scholarship award will be made at the sole discretion of the selection committee and will be based on a review of the application subject to the stated criteria. As such, an applicant has no guarantee of an award, in full or in part.

APPLICATION SCORING RUBRIC

Criteria	Does Not Meet (0 pts)	Meets (1-2 pts)	Exceeds (3-4 pts)
Application/Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provides limited, if any, insight into candidate's character, strengths and educational goals.• Application is poorly written and contains multiple errors in grammar and spelling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provides some insight into candidate's character, strengths and educational goals• Application is typed and doubled spaced but contains limited grammatical and spelling errors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provides insight into candidate's character, strengths and educational goals.• Application is typed and doubled spaced and is free of grammatical and spelling errors.

FRANK B. STOWE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone number (with area code): _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone number (with area code): _____

College or University: _____

Financial Aid/Scholarship Office Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

I certify that I am a graduate of a Tazewell County high school or that I am currently an employee of a Tazewell County high School.

Name of high school: _____ If graduate; year graduated: _____

It is my understanding that if selected as a finalist in the award process, that I may be requested to appear for a personal interview prior to the final award being offered. (Candidates initials: _____)

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Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____