

**The Aurora Church Circuit Church Worker Scholarship Fund (ACCWSF)**  
**Application criteria and instructions**

The ACCWSF was established in order to provide financial aid directly to student applicants affiliated with the Aurora Circuit and attending a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LC-MS) synodical college, university, or seminary studying to become a rostered church worker within the LC-MS.

Scholarship availability and amounts.

- The number and amount of scholarships will vary by year and will be based solely on the discretion and decisions of the ACCWSF Governing Board based on applications received and funds available.
- Amount of scholarship may depend on type of program in which the student is enrolled. For example, a part time or colloquy student will not likely receive as much as a full time student.
- Scholarships are not automatically renewable and must be applied for each year.
- The Governing Board reserves the right to accept or reject any scholarship applications.
- Out of Pocket expenses may include uncovered or unsubsidized tuition, room and board, fees, and books.

At least one of the following criteria must be met in order for applications to be considered.

- A confirmed member in good standing of a congregations of the Aurora Circuit who is studying to become a rostered church worker in the LC-MS at a synodical college, university, or seminary or has submitted, or is enrolled in, a synodical colloquy program.
- Former members of Aurora Circuit congregations who have transferred their membership to a sister LC-MS congregation because of proximity to school, work, or military service.
- LC-MS workers in the congregations and schools of the Aurora Circuit who enroll in the colloquy program.
- The children of current members of Aurora Circuit congregations who are studying to become a rostered church worker in the LC-MS at a synodical college, university, or seminary.
- Confirmed members in good standing of LC-MS churches within the Southern Region of the Indiana District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. **PLEASE NOTE: This category will only be considered if there are no applicants from the other categories listed.**

Submission instructions:

- This application must be filled out in its entirety, signed by both the applicant and the Aurora Circuit (or Southern Region) pastor that is affiliated with option selected, and sent in one of the following two ways:
  1. Scanned electronically (including signatures) and emailed to Rev. Aaron West at [revaaronwest@gmail.com](mailto:revaaronwest@gmail.com). Please use the email heading “ACCWSF application”
  2. Mailed to the following address:  
ACCWSF Scholarship  
c/o Rev. Aaron West  
1219 S. Michigan Ave.  
Greensburg, IN 47240

Submission Deadline

- All applications must be received by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

*Any questions can be emailed to Pastor Aaron West at: [revaaronwest@gmail.com](mailto:revaaronwest@gmail.com)*

**Aurora Circuit Church Worker Scholarship Fund**  
Scholarship Application Form

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Please note: Scholarship checks will be mailed to this address unless otherwise requested*

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_

I am a communicant member at \_\_\_\_\_ Lutheran Church in \_\_\_\_\_  
*(name of church)* *(city, state)*

I am a:        \_\_\_ Full time student        \_\_\_ Part time student        \_\_\_ Colloquy student

I am preparing for the following type of church work:

- \_\_\_ Pastor
- \_\_\_ Deaconess
- \_\_\_ Teacher
- \_\_\_ Director of Christian Education (DCE)
- \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ *(please identify)*

I am currently enrolled or accepted and in good academic standing at the following Synodical school:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Name of LC-MS Synodical College/University/Seminary)*

I anticipate completion of degree/program \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
*(month)* *(year)*

Estimated Out-of-pocket education expenses for upcoming academic year: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Select the first of the following criteria that apply:

- \_\_\_ 1. I am a communicant member of a church in the LC-MS – Indiana District – Aurora Circuit
- \_\_\_ 2. I am a former member of a church in the LC-MS – Indiana District – Aurora Circuit who transferred membership due to proximity to military service, school, or work.
- \_\_\_ 3. I am employed by a church in the LC-MS – Indiana District – Aurora Circuit.
- \_\_\_ 4. My parent(s) are members of a church in the LC-MS – Indiana District – Aurora Circuit  
Parents names: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Church \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ 5. I am a communicant member of a church in the LC-MS – Indiana District – Southern Region  
*(Please note: Applications for option 5 will ONLY be considered if no other applications are received for the first 4)*

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Aurora Circuit or Southern Region Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ *(please print)*

Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_