

**The Max J. Fowler Scholarship Program**

**Personal Information**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student PID #** \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Position (if any) \_\_\_\_\_ Full/Part Time \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Information**

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Other College Attended (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

School Activities \_\_\_\_\_

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Planned Major \_\_\_\_\_

**Community Service** (you may add one additional page)

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**Please summarize your career goals and other information relevant to this application.**

(You may add one additional page)

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**See reverse side for scholarship requirements**

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(Signature)

Return application and additional materials postmarked on or before **March 30** to:

**Community Foundation of Gaston County, Inc.**

**P. O. Box 123, Gastonia, NC 28053**

## MAX J. FOWLER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### PURPOSE

This program is designed to help either a traditional student or returning adult student complete a four-year undergraduate degree that are accepted and enrolled at **NC State University in the College of Physical & Mathematical Sciences or College of Engineering**. The program has been developed to honor Max J. Fowler's lifelong devotion to community education and the field of engineering.

### FUNDS AVAILABLE

The plan for this academic year is to make one \$500 scholarship available. Renewal is possible for up to four years assuming the student is pursuing a logical academic progression as determined by the Selection Committee, has maintained an academic average of a least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale and is in good standing. The scholarship amount and renewal policy is subject to change based on availability of funds.

### PROGRAM OUTLINE

Selection criteria shall be based on character, academic achievement, and community service listed in order of importance:

1. community service
2. school performance
3. class ranking
4. any additional interests in music or the arts
5. financial need

- a. The award will be made for full-time status tuition/fees at NC State University, and will be paid upon the school's certifying that the student is officially registered for classes as a full-time student under its policy governing such designation.
- b. Primary consideration will go to graduate of a Gaston or Cleveland County High School (or a Gaston or Cleveland resident for at least two years with GED certification) who has been accepted at either the College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences or College of Engineering at NC State University.
- c. The number and amount of scholarships will be determined for each year by the Fund's Advisors and approval by the Board based on availability of funds. Scholarships are renewable by application for a normal course of study, usually four years based on the recipient's continued satisfactory academic standing and availability of funds. All grants must be paid directly to NC State University to be credited to that student's tuition/fees. The Foundation reserves the right to make distributions on an annual or per semester basis at its discretion. In making distributions, the Foundation will require that any refunds for withdrawal or dropped courses before the school's deadlines must be returned to the Fund.

### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- a. Completed application on reverse. Applications must be received by or postmarked on or before March 30. **Late applications will not be accepted.**
- b. In addition to the application, applicants must submit the following:
  - Official High School Transcript including SAT or ACT scores and academic ranking
  - Documentation of financial need (copy of FAFSA or similar documentation)
  - Copy of acceptance letter from NC State in program applicable as outlined above
  - Two letters of recommendation – one academic and one personal

### SELECTION PROCESS

Selection of recipients, including specific balancing of criteria and individual award decisions will to be made by a Selection Committee appointed by the Fund's Advisors. This program is operated without any discrimination as to the applicant's race, gender, or religious creed.

*Because this endowment is structured and operated as a tax-exempt entity, its administration shall in all respects be subject to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time. Accordingly, should there be a conflict between the above provisions and the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations, the provisions of the Code shall control.*