



ACTM Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics

2018-19 Scholarships in Elementary Education

The Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics Elementary Education Scholarship was established to provide financial support to undergraduate students in Elementary Education who will be teaching foundational mathematics in the elementary grades (P-6 or K-6). Each year up to two scholarships will be awarded for the maximum amount of **\$1000.00** to help defray educational expenses of the recipients (*contingent upon available funding each year*).

To be eligible, a student must:

1. Be enrolled in an accredited university or college in Alabama during Fall 2018.
2. Have junior or senior status as of Fall 2018 with graduation December 2018 or later and be working on his/her initial teacher certification
3. Be an elementary education major who has completed elementary mathematics content with the letter grade of A before applying and seeking initial Alabama teacher licensure in the elementary grades P-6 or K-6.
4. Have a total overall GPA of at least 3.5 from all colleges attended (based on 4.0).
5. Submit the following:
 - a. A completed current ACTM scholarship **application form** (download from ACTM website: www.actm.education) **and resume**.
 - b. **Transcripts** from all colleges attended (these may be student unofficial copies/printouts, or a photo copy of an official transcript). Please include transcript data that includes all coursework through the summer 2018 term.
 - c. **Letters of recommendation** from two teaching professionals which should include your major advisor or mathematics methods course instructor in your teacher education program addressing your academic ability and likelihood of teacher education program completion. The other letter may be from a mathematics teacher from your high school or a college professor from a mathematics or mathematics education course you have completed or are currently enrolled. These letters must state the capacity in which the writer knew or knows the applicant and address the applicant's potential as a mathematics teacher. **Each letter of recommendation must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the writer's signature across the flap.**
 - d. A 200-300 word **essay** on the importance of mathematics in elementary teaching, and what the applicant sees as her/his role as a mathematics educator. This essay should be based on best practices according to state and national organizations.
 - e. A **flash drive** containing a video which shows the applicant interacting with children within a classroom or volunteer setting.

The completed application forms must be received in one mailing and must be post marked by **October 1, 2018**. The recipients of the Fall 2018 or Spring 2019 scholarship awards will be announced during the ACTM 2018 Fall Forum. Awards will be mailed to recipients after the conference.

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Name: _____
Last First Middle

	Permanent Address	School Address
Street	_____	_____
City/State/Zip	_____	_____
Telephone	_____	_____

Alabama College/University currently attending: _____

Other Colleges/Universities attended: _____

Status: _____ Junior _____ Senior Overall GPA: _____

Elementary mathematics content course(s) with the letter grade of A: _____

Have you passed the ETS Elementary Mathematics Subtest of the Elementary Education Multiple Subjects Praxis II Exam #5003 or mathematics portion of Exam #5001?

Yes____ No____ Not taken____ Math Component score if you passed: _____

Please attach a resume/vita outlining educational experience, work experience, honors and awards, volunteer work, community service, extracurricular activities related to mathematics and/or teaching, and any other extracurricular activities.

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Application Packet

To apply, you must have junior or senior status with a graduation date of December 2018 or later, and be enrolled at an accredited university or college in Alabama. You must have a GPA of 3.5 (4.0 scale) or better from all colleges attended and be an elementary education major seeking initial teaching licensure for grades P-6 or K-6. You must have completed an elementary mathematics content course with the letter grade of A before applying.

You must return the application form in the same envelope with the following:

___ **transcripts** from all colleges attended (may be official or student copy). Please include a copy of your transcripts through summer 2018.

___ **letters of recommendation** from two mathematics teachers, including your major advisor or mathematics methods instructor in your teacher education program, a mathematics teacher from your high school, or a college professor from a mathematics or mathematics education course you have completed or are currently enrolled. **Each letter of recommendation must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the writer's signature across the flap.**

___ a 200-300 word **essay** on the importance of mathematics in elementary grades teaching, and what the applicant sees as her/his role as a mathematics educator. This essay should be based on best practices according to state and national organizations.

___ a **flash drive** containing a video showing the applicant interacting with children within a classroom or volunteer setting.

___ **verification** of the above designated status and major and scores (e.g. letter from advisor, copy of registration materials, etc.)

Complete application must be postmarked by **October 1, 2018**.

Send application packet to:

Sandy McCarthy
Attn: ACTM Scholarship
1725 Eastwyck Circle
Birmingham, AL 35215

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APPLICANT ESSAY

Directions: On a separate sheet of paper or the fillable PDF, please type a 200-300 word essay. Describe why you wish to teach mathematics and what you see as your contribution to the mathematics education field. Attach the essay to this form if you use a separate sheet of paper.

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Applicant Name: _____

Directions: On a separate sheet of paper, preferably school letterhead, please type a letter of recommendation for the applicant named above. Include how long and under what circumstances you have known the applicant. Please comment on the person's potential as a mathematics teacher in grades P-6 or K-6. Place the recommendation in an envelope with this form, **seal the envelope and sign your name across the flap**. Return the sealed recommendation to the applicant. Applications must be postmarked by October 1, 2018.

Your Name/Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone or E-mail address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____