MERCER COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR MERCER COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RESIDENTS

Eligible applicants are graduating high school seniors, living in Mercer County, Illinois, who plan to enter the teaching profession; or, students currently enrolled in an undergraduate teacher education program at an accredited college or university, who have a Mercer County, Illinois, residence.

Please type or print neatly. Complete all blanks or use "NA" if it is not applicable to your situation. FULL NAME ______ TELEPHONE _____ MAILING ADDRESS BIRTHDATE ZIP CITY STATE E-MAIL ADDRESS COLLEGE YOU WILL BE ATTENDING NEXT FALL COURSE OF STUDY _____ (Applicant must be preparing to enter a teaching career.) WILL YOU RESIDE AT HOME OR AT SCHOOL ? HIGH SCHOOL YOU HAVE OR WILL GRADUATE FROM _____ DATE ____ NAME OF PARENTS _____ ADDRESS OF PARENT(S) **EMPLOYED BY:** (FATHER) (MOTHER) NUMBER OF SIBLINGS ARE ANY ATTENDING COLLEGE? _____

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

Personal Essay

What are the reasons you are wanting to enter the teaching profession?

One page doubled spaced essay. It should address the prompt. Judging will include mechanics, punctuation, spelling, and an organized essay that is easy to read.

- Official Transcript (include Grade Point Average)
 - Awards and Honors
 - Extra-Curricular Activities
 - Community Outreach
 - Work Experience
 - Two letters of recommendations from teachers or other unrelated persons

*****Applications will be considered incomplete if all information is not received by the deadline.
*****All scholarship requirements must be completed and submitted by April 1st to:

Mercer County Retired Teachers Scholarship Committee C/O Karen Jones 1396 35th Ave. Seaton, Illinois 61476

The Mercer County Retired Teachers Association reserves the right to change the number of scholarships awarded and/or the monetary amounts given each year. It is expected the scholarship award for this year will be multiple scholarships up to \$1000 to qualified recipients.