

**MARINE CORPS TANKERS ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION**  
**FIRST LIEUTENANT MICHAEL LICALZI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**AND**  
**JOHN CORNELIUS – MAX ENGLISH SCHOLARSHIP**  
**APPLICATION FORM**

**GENERAL INFORMATION ELIGIBILITY**

This year we have four Lieutenant Licalzi and four Cornelius / English scholarships available. You must be the child or grandchild, or under the guardianship of an active duty, reserve, honorably discharged, or retired Marine Corps or Navy member who served in a Marine Corps tank battalion to apply. Your sponsor (parent, grandparent, or guardian) must be a current, paid or Lifetime Marine Corps Tankers Association (MCTA) member prior to the scholarship award. You may also be an active duty, reserve, honorably discharged, or retired U.S. Armed Forces member who served in a Marine Corps tank battalion. You may find MCTA membership information at [www.usmctankers.org](http://www.usmctankers.org).

**QUALIFICATION**

You must be either a high school senior planning graduation by June of the application year and in the process of applying, have applied, or are presently a full-time post high school student at an accredited junior college, accredited trade school, or university. We restrict scholarships to academic programs leading to a professionally recognized trade certification or baccalaureate degree. We do not offer scholarships for post graduate programs.

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

The number of scholarships awarded are based on available MCTA funds in the scholarship year. Individual scholarships will be at least \$2,000.

**SCHOLARSHIP RENEWALS**

You may apply any school year for a total of four (4) applications only. You must submit a new application with all requisite accompanying documentation for each upcoming school year. We encourage you to reapply in subsequent school years if you meet all qualifications and requirements if you are not selected.

**SELECTION BASIS**

The MCTAF Scholarship Committee (MCTAFSC) will evaluate all packages to determine and select the most deserving applicants. All application packages shall include these components.

Scholarship (G.P.A. and school honors),

The applicant's personal essay,

Two letters of recommendation,

Full-time student status\*,

The submitted application form, and

A digital .jpg file photograph for your selection publication in the MCTA Newsletter.

\*Note: Scholarship winners must provide proof of full-time student status at their respective school. Your documentation may include acceptance letters or your official future semester schedule. This may be a .pdf file attached to your application package e-mail if available. Otherwise, you must provide this documentation by separate e-mail if you are selected. Once this information is verified, a scholarship check will be mailed by Edward Jones, Inc., to your address. All award selections and verification results are final and may not be appealed.

## **REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

The application submission process has changed. MCTAF Scholarships are competitive. MCTAFSC scrutinizes your overall application's preparation, care, completeness, and presentation in accordance with these instructions:

We expect candidates to submit identical hard copy and soft copy application packages. The committee will compare hard copy and soft copy applications. You may submit your application packages with accompanying documentation beginning February 15th to be completely received no later than midnight, March 15th of the application year. We will not accept incomplete or illegible applications.

Applicant packages received by ONLY one method (hard copy or soft copy) by the submission period close will be considered incomplete. We will consider applications postmarked or emailed after March 15th late. Application packages need not arrive at the committee simultaneously.

You must provide a thoughtful cogent well-written essay of at least 500, but not more than 700 words. Your essay gives the MCTAFSC a personal narrative that describes your academic and career goals. You should discuss extracurricular activities including any sports, clubs and academic society association, and community service activity, and any awards, and honors. You should state why the scholarship is important to you. You should give special consideration to originality of thought, grammar, sentence and paragraph structure, and logical presentation when writing your personal essay. Your essay is a very important factor in the evaluation; you are encouraged to give it due diligence.

Your sealed official transcript should include all, most recent complete academic semesters/quarters whether high school, trade school, or college/university work. Your

letters of recommendation, sealed by the author, are an important evaluation element. We will accept scanned .pdf file documents with a signed original hard copy document in your hard copy application package for comparison.

We will use your .jpg file digital photograph, as part of the application, to announce scholarship winners in the MTCA Newsletter.

## **HARD COPY**

Your hard copy application, i.e., application form, essay, photograph and sealed transcripts, enrollment status, and recommendation letters, should be preceded by an email providing your separate package mailing tracking confirmation. Please send hard copy transcripts and letters with your application package in their original sealed envelopes. We understand many schools only send transcripts to the requesting agency not the student requestor. Please let us know if that is your case, however the 15 March deadline is final.

Last year's submissions demonstrated that official transcripts can be transmitted electronically by schools or companies hired by schools to produce transcripts on school letterhead or water marked documents. These printed documents are acceptable as hard copy. Recommendation letters must be signed, dated, and include the author's signature block or other contact information. You should have hard copy documents sent to Chairman, MCTAFSC, c/o Bill Pattison, P. O. Box 444, 956 E. Fry Blvd, Sierra Vista, Arizona, 85635.

## **SOFT COPY**

All application package components submitted in soft copy by email must be in .jpg (pictures) .pdf (application form) or .docx (essay, recommendations etc.) formats sent to Bill Pattison, the MCTAFSC chair at mctafsc@gmail.com. You may print, complete, sign and scan the application form saved as a .pdf file. Or you may copy the form into Word and save it as a .pdf file, open, complete, and save that file and send it with your application package files. Other scanned documents, such as signed recommendation letters are acceptable as .pdf files for hard copy comparison.

Your accepted application will be reviewed by the MCTASC. We will determine scholarship winners as soon as possible.

The MCTAFSC Chairman will notify applicants not selected.

**MARINE CORPS TANKERS ASSOCIATION**  
**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM**

Please type or print legibly. You may submit this completed hard copy form to the MCTASC address and scan and save as a .pdf file for e-mail attachment and electric submission. If you require additional pages, please attach them to this form.

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Last Name                      Middle                      First                      Birthdate

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Home Street Address                      City                      State                      Zip Code

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Telephone                      Cell Phone                      E-mail Address

Married: Yes\_\_\_\_                      No\_\_\_\_                      Children\_\_\_\_\_

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Sponsor Name                      Service                      Rank

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Sponsor Address                      Sponsor Telephone

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

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Marine Tank Battalion(s)                      Billets                      Years Served

## Post High School Applicants

High School Graduate Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Year Graduated\_\_\_ Will Graduate \_\_\_

High School G.P.A.\_\_\_\_\_ Class Ranking\_\_\_\_\_ If available

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High School Name and Address

Trade School / College / University planning to attend:

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1st Choice:

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2nd Choice:

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3rd Choice:

## Current Trade School and College Applicants

Academic Year: Fr / First Year\_\_\_ Soph / Second Year\_\_\_ Jr / Third Year\_\_\_ Sr / Forth Year\_\_\_

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Institution Name and Address

Trade / Major:\_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA:\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Convicted of a Felony: Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ If yes, explain on an attached paper.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_