



EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATION

The NJVF is dedicated to advancing and supporting admitted veterinary students in achieving their DVM/VMD degrees. Since 1975, the New Jersey Veterinary Foundation has awarded over 1.5 million dollars in scholarship grants, and in the past interest-free loans and forgivable loans to New Jersey veterinary students. The NJVF Scholarship Program is funded solely by contributions, and New Jersey veterinarians generate a significant portion of those funds. **New Jersey residents are eligible to apply during their first year of veterinary school for a second year award, and all subsequent years.**

There are 4 criteria on which those scholarship award winners are chosen by the NJVF; including the student's connection to the state of NJ, the current level of educational indebtedness (not other loans), the ability of the student's family to supply financial support and the recommendation letters.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

- A.** Prepare **three** copies of the application:
1. Send the *original* copy by **May 31, 2020** to the Scholarship Committee of the NJVF.
 2. Give one copy to the dean's office.
 3. Retain one copy for your own information.
 4. Please note that **even if you are independent of parental support**, your parents or guardians must complete questions 1, 2, 3, and 6 and sign the Parents/Guardian Confidential Financial Questionnaire, and a **copy of both sides of the first page of their most recent federal income tax return must be included. If your parents are divorced, we require both of their tax returns.**
- B.** The application sent to the Scholarship Committee must be accompanied by two or more **recently dated** letters of recommendation who know your character and need. One letter must be from a member of your veterinary faculty and one must be from a veterinarian in the State of New Jersey. All letters of reference should be sent directly to the NJVF. It is your responsibility to be sure that letters of recommendation are submitted by the due date.
- D.** Please read the entire application prior to completion. All questions must be answered. If an application is not complete with signature, it will not be considered. The application must be verified in two places-- verification of academic standing by your dean and existing indebtedness by your financial aid officer. The parents' questionnaire and copies of the first two pages of both you and your parents tax form must also be submitted.
- E.** The deadline FOR submission of application is May 31, 2020 for the coming school year beginning in September. Your application will not be considered if received after May 31, 2020.
- F.** **Without exception, no award will be made without submission of the following** (check off when completed):
1. Completed application, signed by you, your Dean and financial officer.
 2. Your Parents/Guardian Confidential Financial Questionnaire.
 3. Letters of recommendation from a veterinary faculty member and a New Jersey veterinarian.
 4. Copies of both sides of the first page of both your and your parents **most recently filed** federal tax return. If the student's income was below IRS filing threshold, **or tax returns are not submitted**, then an explanation note is required or the application will be considered incomplete.
- G.** If the applicant is awarded scholarship money, it will be paid directly to the veterinary school, details of which can be obtained via phone 908-281-0918 or email info@njvma.org

NJVF Educational Grant Application

Due May 31, 2020

Return completed application to: NJVF, 750 Route 202, Suite 200, Bridgewater, NJ 08807
or email to info@NJVMA.org

1. Applicant name _____

Age _____ Sex _____ Place of Birth _____

2. Marital Status (mark one)

Single Married Divorced/Separated

Number of children _____

3. Permanent address

Current mailing address

Home phone/cell phone _____ email _____

What is your preferred method of contact? _____

4. Are you a current resident of the State of NJ? _____

Do you have a voter registration card? _____

New Jersey Driver's license _____

Residence _____

Do you have another connection to the state of NJ? If so, explain

5. Education – schools attended, dates and degrees

Starting with high school **up to the veterinary school you currently attend**

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6. In the coming year you will be a 2nd 3rd 4th year student.
Check one.

7. Current annual college expenses
(Please give actual figures, not school-supplied statistics)

Tuition _____

Room _____

Board _____

Books/supplies _____

Travel _____

Health care _____

Personal costs _____

Other _____

Total Annual College Expenses \$ _____

8. Do you pay "in state" tuition at your school? _____

9. Income of Student (and spouse if applicable):

List and describe income for the coming year, including estimated amounts and/or loans/scholarships applied for:
Scholarships, Fellowships, Grants, Loans, Other...

10. Part-time job or summer employment (include income estimate not savings Estimate)

Spouse income _____

Family support (parents, relatives) _____

other income _____

Total Annual Income \$ _____

11. Assets of Student (and spouse if applicable):

Car (make, model, year, purchase price, amount owed)

Present book value _____

Cash and savings _____

Home equity _____

Other real estate _____

Investments/IRA's / Retirement Accounts _____

Businesses, farms _____

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Other (describe) _____

Total assets (not including your car's value) \$ _____

12. Educational loans (include all previous educational loans; do not include anticipated loans)

Undergraduate loans

Graduate/Veterinary School Loans

Spouse's Educational Loans

Total Educational Loans \$ _____

13. Non-Educational loans (show lender and purpose)

Total Loans \$ _____

Existing indebtedness must be verified by your financial aid officer or the other college official on the last page of this application.

14. Special circumstances

Please describe any circumstances (not explained elsewhere) that might have a bearing on your financial situation. Examples: health issues, family changes, or any other unusual circumstance of which the Board should be advised.

15. Character References

(Individuals familiar with your character and financial need). **All letters must be recently dated.** The first two references are **required**. Applications without the faculty member and NJ Veterinarian recommendations will NOT be evaluated.

a. Veterinary School Faculty Member

Name _____ Address _____
Phone _____

b. Veterinarian working in New Jersey

Name _____ Address _____
Phone _____

c. Optional (neighbor, clergy, undergraduate teacher)

Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____

ALL letters of reference should be sent directly to the NJVF.

Email info@njvma.org

Postal Address NJVF, 750 Route 202, Suite 200, Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Fax 908-450-1286

Questionnaire of parent /guardian

This confidential questionnaire MUST be completely filled out by each parent or guardian or the Board may not be able to adequately assess your need.

Parent/ Parents/ Guardian confidential questionnaire has been provided as part of this application Yes No

If you are independent of parental/guardian support (as defined by the Federal Government), please explain why on a separate sheet of paper.

SUMMARY INFORMATION – Please Complete

Name of school _____

Year of graduation _____

Did you apply in the past, and were awarded a NJVF Scholarship? _____

If so, when, and how much was the award? _____

I have read carefully the questions in this application. Each answer as made herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I give the NJVF permission to receive and verify the information reported.

Signature _____

Date _____ Print Name _____

Note: This application must be verified by two school officials below. Your parents' questionnaire and copies of the first two pages of last year's Federal Income Tax Return for both yourself and your parents must be submitted for the Board's examination, even if you are independent from your parents. If you or your parents are filing an extension for last year's tax return you must submit a copy once you have filed.

CERTIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STANDING AND RESIDENCE

Student's Name _____

This student's cumulative grade average as of _____ is _____.
DATE CUM. GRADE AVERAGE

This student is registered as a resident of the State of New Jersey.

Signature of Dean _____

Print Name _____

The student's statements about existing indebtedness are, to the best of my knowledge, correct.

Signature of Financial Aid Officer _____

Print Name _____



2020 Education Grants - Parental Questionnaire

This confidential questionnaire **MUST** be completely filled out by one or both of your parents/guardians or the Board may not be able to adequately assess your need

Please complete form and attach a signed photocopy of both sides of the first page of this year's Federal Income Tax Return. If you have filed for an extension, you must submit a copy of the tax return when it is completed. This requirement is made for all students regardless of age, marital status, or independence of the student.

Without exception, no award will be made without submission of this completed, signed form and a copy of your tax return. If your parents are divorced, we require both of their tax returns.

1. Applicant's Name _____
 2. Father's Name _____ Age ____ Occupation _____
Mother's Name _____ Age ____ Occupation _____
Guardian's Name _____ Age ____ Occupation _____
Parent's Full Address _____

- Number of Persons Dependent on Parents/Guardian Income _____

3. To determine if the student or applicant is independent of parental/guardian support (as defined by the Federal Government), you must answer "no" to a, b, and c for your student/applicant to be declared independent.
 - a. Did or will the student live with the parent/guardian for more than six weeks (42 days) during the current year, previous year, or coming year?
Yes No
 - b. Did or will the parents claim the student as a U.S. income tax exemption in the current year, previous year, or coming year?
Yes No
 - c. Did or will the student get more than \$750 worth of support from the parents during the current year, previous year, or coming year?
Yes No

If a student meets the conditions of "independence" as defined by the Federal Government in questions a, b, c, only questions 1, 2, 3, and 6 need to be answered and the application signed and dated by the parents/ guardian and question 16 answered by the student on the Student Confidential Questionnaire regardless of independence. A copy of both sides of the first page of your most current Federal Income Tax Return with signature is required for the student's application to be considered. If your parents are divorced, we require both of their tax returns.

- 4A.** Assets
Cash, Savings _____
Home Equity, Value of House _____
Mortgage _____
Amount of Investments, Securities, Antiques, Fine Arts, etc. _____
Business, Farm _____
Cars _____
Other _____

- 4B.** Liabilities - existing indebtedness - itemize and include amount:

- 5.** Income
Taxable Income - please report last year's amount as filed, or will be filed, for federal income tax:
Total Gross Income _____
Taxable Income _____
Non-Taxable Income _____

- 6.** What is the amount of your financial support to your student for the
Past school year? _____
Present school year? _____
Coming school year? _____

- 7.** Describe any circumstances (not explained elsewhere) that might have a bearing on your financial situation.

I have read carefully the questions in this application. Each answer as made herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I give the NJVF permission to receive and verify the information reported.

Signature _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

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