***2025 Scholarship Application***

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***This is a merit, not a need-based scholarship.***

***Applicant must attend one of the following high schools:***

***Cape May County Technical HS, Lower Cape May Regional HS, Middle Township HS, Ocean City HS or Wildwood HS***

***NOTE****: If your high school is not listed, but is located within Cape May County and you have a student who wishes to participate, please contact* **equalitycapemay@gmail.com** *to verify eligibility.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ Street Number Town State Zip Code

Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_

Personal Cell Number: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_

**Required**: City/Town in which you live: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of high school: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Senior Awards Ceremony: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Name of 2 year or 4-year college / university or trade school to which you’ve been accepted and plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Name your three choices that will be writing your recommendations:**

**Guidance Counselor (Must be 1 of first 3 choices & stress Academics)**

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_ \_\_ ­ \_\_) \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ (extension) \_\_\_\_

E-mail address: *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Club Advisor / Coach: Name**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (­\_\_ \_\_ \_\_) \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ (extension) \_\_\_\_

E-mail address: *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Volunteerism / Community Service Mentor/Leader:** Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number (\_\_ \_\_ \_\_) \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ (extension) \_\_\_\_

E -mail address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**4th person: (optional)** (Relationship to Applicant) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_ \_\_ \_\_) \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_(extension) \_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST OF OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

1. A copy of your college / trade school acceptance / wait list letter
2. A copy of your transcript (must include - mid-year grades through the fall semester of senior year)
3. A copy of your first report card for the spring semester
4. A copy(s) of your Sat and/or ACT test score reports
5. Your completed resume, which must be specific and include years involved, and, where applicable, any leadership position you have held such as such as editor, team captain, officer, etc.
6. A listing of all clubs, activities, teams, community service, summer programs, college courses, internships, jobs, etc. must be included with number of years involved.

**REQUIRED** - **A typed essay (no fewer than five paragraphs)** **which addresses one of the listed 4 quotations below. There is** **no right answer, just your personal insights.** **Be sure to address the various aspects of the topic. Give reasons, examples and or details to support your main ideas. Use your personal experiences.**

**Successful responses will include:**

* **Example(s) of how you embody our values of equality, respect, inclusivity, visibility, and diversity.**
* **Information demonstrating your actions consistent with our mission statement: *To build and strengthen Cape May County’s LGBTQIA+/Queer community and to promote welcoming attitudes and equality through organizing, advocacy, and social connection.***
* **A clear statement that you are part of the LGBTQIA+/Queer community, which includes those who are questioning their identities. You do not have to include detailed information about the nature of your gender or sexuality, nor do you need to be “out” to qualify. However, the scholarships will be awarded to LGBTQIA+/Queer students, so please affirm you are part of that community.**

**CHOOSE ONE:**

* **Who am I?**
* **I believe you should stand up for who you are.**
* **Are you living your true self? (What are some of the complications or difficulties you have faced and how are or have you overcome them?)**
* **Are you living your true self? (What are some of the joys you have experienced as a result of your living out loud?)**

**DECLARATION: *Applicant* *Must Sign Below.***

*I attest that all information provided in this application is true and accurate*.

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Signature Date

**Application Deadline - Postmarked no later than**

**Friday, April 11th, 2025 Note! No Exceptions!**

***Mailing Address for Applications:***

**Equality Cape May**

**P.O. Box 365**

**Cape May Point. NJ 08212**

***COUNSELORS AND WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED***

 ***BY MONDAY, MAY 5TH***