



GFWC-NC Statesville Woman's Club



515 West End Avenue, Statesville, NC, 28677

2025-2026 Sallie Southall-Cotten Scholarship Applicants:

Applicants, Please keep the following in mind...

1. This scholarship is awarded based on the candidate's character, scholastic records, evidence of intellectual promise, leadership ability and need for financial assistance.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior residing in NC and a citizen or permanent legal resident of the United States.
3. Applicants must be in the top quarter of their class.
4. Applicants must submit **complete** application packet by **Friday, January 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm**, (late applications will not be accepted) and must be available to meet with the Statesville Woman's Club selection committee for the interview **Sunday, January 25, 2026**. The exact **time** of interview will be determined for each applicant closer to the date. Interview time slots will begin at 1:00 pm. Each candidate will be given a specific time slot.
5. Our local winner **must** be available to compete in **SSCS District competition (February 21, 2026, in Hickory, NC or ZOOM)**.
6. The scholarship must be used at a four-year college or university in the state of North Carolina. It can also be awarded to a community college student who plans to transfer to a four-year school to earn a degree.

Please mail the completed application packet to: Statesville Woman's Club, 515 West End Avenue, Statesville, NC, 28677 **or** to ensure delivery on time and save postage, drop the packet through the mail slot at the SWC Clubhouse (double doors at center of porch).

Name: _____ School: _____

Application Packet Checklist! Please check and RETURN with application!

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___ Application form... student section filled out completely, including signature of parent/guardian.

___ Recent photograph. Photo will be used in newspaper if selected.

___ Your personal letter explaining educational plans, future goals and why financial aid is necessary. Please include a separate page listing sports, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and high school awards.

___ Letter of recommendation from either your high school principal, guidance counselor or a teacher.

___ Letter of recommendation from a business or professional person who is not school related.

___ SAT or ACT score.

___ **Most current** high school transcript...class rank with number of students in classes listed...and grade point averages, weighted and unweighted.

___ Financial Need Documentation: submit the FAFSA.

If FAFSA is not available, you can submit a most recent copy of Federal Tax Return for applicant's parents and applicant. Please mark through Social Security numbers so they are not visible to the interviewers.

Thank you for your interest in the Sallie Southall-Cotten Scholarship.

We are looking forward to reviewing your packet and meeting YOU!