OBJECTIVE: The objectives of the Society of Defense Financial Management (SDFM) Buckeye Chapter Scholarship Program are to recognize graduating high school seniors for academic achievement, to provide financial assistance to seniors in order that they may accomplish their future financial management baccalaureate educational goals, and to increase local chapter scholarship programs.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
• Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the final half of his/her school year, or a high school graduate within six months of the application deadline.
• Applicant must be entering a field of study directly related to financial/resource management (such as business administration, economics, public administration, accounting, finance). Applications that do not fall within these fields will not be considered.
• Applicant must submit the current official SDFM Buckeye Chapter Scholarship Program Application Form.
• Applications must be typewritten and complete. Handwritten or incomplete applications will not be considered.
• Applicant must include the supporting documentation, as requested on the application, as part of their submission (e.g., Official transcript that includes GPA or other documentation as needed).
• Applicant must include, as part of their submission, a letter of recommendation from an academic official such as their high school principal, academic dean, guidance counselor, high school teacher, or volunteer organization point of contact.

SELECTION PROCESS: Applicant's scholastic achievements, leadership ability, extracurricular activities, career/academic goals, and financial need will be considered and must be documented in the letter of recommendation and summarized on the form. A selection panel, chaired by a member of the SDFM Buckeye Chapter Scholarship Committee, will review all applications received and make final recommendations to the SDFM Buckeye Chapter Executive Committee, who will approve the final award winners. Students will be notified in April if their application has been selected as a winner. Checks are mailed directly to the school once proof of college enrollment has been received.

RECOGNITION: The SDFM will award two High School Academic Scholarships one for $2,000 and one for $1,500, one Family member Academic Scholarship for $1,500, and one Mary Ann White Community Service Scholarship for $1,000. Notification/Proof of college enrollment will be required before disbursement of the scholarship check(s) to the winner(s) school bursar's office. The names of recipients may be publicized at local chapter meetings, newsletters, and at **https://community.sdfm.org/sdfmbuckeyechapter/home**. The SDFM Buckeye Chapter may submit scholarship winners to SDFM National for an opportunity to earn additional scholarships.

DEADLINE: Applications must be received by the SDFM Buckeye Chapter no later than **February 28, 2025** to be considered by the selection panel. No exceptions to this deadline will be allowed. Any applications received incomplete or after this date will not be considered for selection.

SEND SUBMISSIONS TO:

Mail via U.S. Postal Service to:

SDFM Buckeye Chapter
Attention: Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 360674
Columbus, Ohio 43236-0674

Or via email to:
sdfmbuckeye.scholarship@gmail.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please contact the SDFM Buckeye Chapter at:
sdfmbuckeye.scholarship@gmail.com

Or visit the SDFM Buckeye Chapter website at: **https://community.sdfm.org/sdfmbuckeyechapter/home**
or on Linkedin at:
https://www.linkedin.com/company/sdfm-buckeye-chapter

SDFM Buckeye Chapter Scholarship Program Application Form

(Applications must be received by February 28, 2025. All data must be complete.)

Applicant (Student) Data

Name: _____ _____ _____   **Telephone:** (____) ____ - ____
       FIRST   **M.I.**   **LAST**

Home Address: *(Include Zip Code or APO/FPO #)* _____

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E-Mail Address: _____

Anticipated College Choices: 1st Choice: _____

                            2nd Choice: _____

Course Major: _____ *

Anticipated Degree: _____ *

*Must be directly related to financial/resource management
(Such as business administration, economics, public administration, accounting, or finance)

Scholastic Achievements: *(Attach documentation)* **Grade Point** _____ **of Maximum** _____

     Class Standing:

Class Rank _____

Class Size _____
    (Attach Documentation)

Are you related to any ASMC Buckeye Chapter Member? Yes ◯ No ◯

If yes, Member's Name: _____

Please select the scholarships for which you are applying:

[ ] **High School Academic Scholarship:** *Please complete Essays 1, 2, and 3.*

[ ] **Family Member Academic Scholarship:** *Please complete Essays 1, 2, and 3 and list the family member's name above.*

[ ] **Mary Ann White Community Service Scholarship:**

Applicant must have 100 hours of Community Service over and above that required for graduation or 5 extra volunteer activities, of at least 20 hours each. These hours must be documented in the Community Service Profile section of the Application.

Please complete Essay 3 and the Community Service Profile & Reflection (Page 5).

Handwritten applications will not be accepted

Essay 1: Please describe your academic, peer, and organizational leadership roles and achievements. Provide an essay of 300 words or less.

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Essay 2: Please describe your extra-curricular and employment activities. Provide an essay of 300 words or less.

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Essay 3: Please describe your Career/Academic Goals and Financial Need. Provide an essay of 300 words or less.

Community Service Profile: Please list your community service history including organization(s) supported, role, time frame, and hours of support - e.g., American Red Cross, Blood Drive Volunteer, 2021-2022, 16 hours.

Community Service Reflection: Describe why you chose the community service projects and the benefits you've gained from these experiences. Provide an essay of 300 words or less.