



# New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs

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New York State School Counselors Association  
P.O. Box 217  
Leicester, NY 14481

Dear Madam/Sir,

The New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs currently offers two scholarships on a competitive basis, to children of multiple birth families (twins, triplets and higher order) attending college. These annual awards are fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) each and apply only to students of multiple birth families, who reside in New York State and attend a college or university.

We would appreciate your advice on how we can advertise or be included in your list of scholarships so that NYS students are aware of this program.

Attached is a Checklist of Eligibility which provides the basic requirements for students to apply. Should you need additional information, feel free to contact me at [mym2x2@gmail.com](mailto:mym2x2@gmail.com). Thank you for your assistance.

Yours truly,

Myriam Lavora  
Chairman - Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee

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## **Marie Simmons Scholarship of the New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs**

The Marie Simmons Scholarship honors the Co-Founder of the New York State Organization Mothers of Twins Clubs. These awards, offered annually on a competitive basis, are currently \$1500.00 each. Two scholarships are awarded to children of Multiple Birth families attending college.

### **Checklist for Eligibility**

1. An unmarried offspring who lives at home with their mother. The mother must be a mother of multiples; she must currently reside in New York State and has for the last five years.
2. Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent and completed at least one term of post-secondary education. A GPA of 2.50 or higher is required.
3. Attached application must be completed and returned.
4. A complete personal resume is required. It should include all work history, education, plus involvement in any extra-curricular activities, clubs, civic or community service.
5. At least two letters of recommendation that state the strengths and character of the applicant. The name, address, and phone number of the person writing the recommendation, as well as, the nature of the relationship and the length of time the applicant is known by said individual must be included.
6. Official sealed copies of all academic transcripts from High School, College, or other Accredited Education facilities attended.
7. Applicant must submit a 250 - 400 word essay. The title must be *"How Higher Education Will Affect My Future."* The essay must be typewritten, double-spaced and printed on white paper only.
8. Copies of Birth Certificates for the applicant and the multiple birth children (to verify multiple birth family status).
9. All documents need not be sent at the same time but **must be postmarked no later than February 20<sup>th</sup>**. In the lower left hand corner of all envelopes it must be written, "To be opened by the MSS Chairman only."

### **Selection of Recipients**

1. The Marie Simmons Scholarship Judging Members will review only completed application packets to choose the recipients.
2. The awards will be given on a year-to-year basis. Scholarship recipients may not apply again.
3. Award Certificates will be presented at the Saturday General Meeting of the Annual State Meeting to the recipient or appointed representative.

### **Responsibilities of the Recipients**

1. An original official receipt from the college indicating recipient is registered and paid tuition in the current academic year, or the first academic year after the award certificate is presented, is required before the scholarship will be issued.
2. If the scholarship has not been issued and if the recipient is unable to attend college during the first academic year after the award certificate is presented, the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund Chairman must be contacted immediately. The award may be put in abeyance for only one academic year.
3. If the recipient would like to attend the Saturday General Meeting to receive their award, NYSOMOTC will waive the registration fee for the recipient. If the recipient would like to attend the luncheon prior to the afternoon session of the State Meeting, the recipient's lunch will be paid for by the Marie Simmons Scholarship fund.

### **Free Act of the New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs**

The creation of this scholarship is a Free Act of the New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs. The NYSOMOTC retains its rights to alter, suspend, cancel or halt the Marie Simmons Scholarship at any time and without giving reason.