

Program Guide

CHURCH
SCHOLARSHIP
PROMISE



COVENANT
COLLEGE

IN ALL THINGS CHRIST PREEMINENT

THE CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP PROMISE PROGRAM ALLOWS LOCAL CHURCHES TO DEVELOP AND LEVERAGE UNIQUE FINANCIAL PARTNERSHIPS WITH COVENANT COLLEGE TO BENEFIT STUDENTS FROM THEIR CONGREGATION.

Scholarship Details: All church giving to Covenant's annual fund—the Covenant Fund—benefits students. This fund supports scholarships, student academic and ministry clubs, the budgets of academic departments, athletic programs, the daily expenses of special programs such as the Chalmers Center, and other ongoing operational costs. In the 2003–2004 academic/fiscal year, this fund contributed an average of \$2,500 toward the education of each Covenant College student.

Churches give to the Covenant Fund as a means of partnering with the College to prepare young Christians—through a rigorous and biblically informed academic and co-curricular program—for lives committed to the person of Christ, to the truths of His scripture, and to service in His kingdom in a broad array of callings.

Any church that gives to the Covenant Fund at the rate of \$10 per communicant member qualifies all students from its congregation, who are accepted for admission to Covenant, for a \$1,000 Church Scholarship Promise grant. So long as students maintain satisfactory progress, the grant will be renewed on an annual basis.

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS:

1. Churches must make unrestricted gifts at the \$10 per communicant member level within the course of a calendar year—i.e., by December 31—to make their students eligible for the CSP benefit in the following academic year. There is no limit on the number of students from a congregation who may receive the CSP benefit.
2. A church's giving level is determined by comparing Covenant Fund gifts in a calendar year to the church's membership at the beginning of that same year. For example, the level at which your church qualifies for CSP scholarships for the academic year 2004–2005 is determined by total Covenant Fund gifts in 2003 divided by membership at the beginning of 2003.
3. Churches that give at the \$20 per member level qualify their students for a \$1,500 grant. Churches that give at the \$30 per member level qualify their students for a \$2,000 grant. Churches that give at the \$40 per member level qualify their students for a \$2,500 grant.
4. Gifts given by individuals directly to Covenant College can not count toward a church's giving total. However, gifts given by individuals through their local church to the Covenant Fund do count toward that church's giving total.
5. All children of missionaries—either MTW missionaries or missionaries supported by a PCA congregation—are eligible for the base level CSP grant of \$1,000.

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY:

1. Students must be a member in good standing of the qualifying church by December 31 of the year upon which eligibility is based.
2. Students must meet all financial aid and admissions deadlines, and must fill out a Covenant College Application for Aid form each year. Additional financial aid forms are needed to apply for other scholarship/grant programs. This information may be obtained on the College web site, covenant.edu, or by contacting the Financial Aid Office at 706.419.1126.
3. Students must be in good academic standing.
4. Students who join a church in the Chattanooga area after enrolling at Covenant will have their CSP eligibility based on the Covenant Fund giving of church in which they had membership before joining a local church. Exceptions are made for students whose families have moved and established residency in the Chattanooga area.

Covenant College, the College of the Presbyterian Church in America, is an academically rigorous, comprehensive liberal arts college rooted in the intellectually and spiritually vibrant Presbyterian and Reformed traditions. Located immediately outside the city of Chattanooga, the College boasts a dynamic residential learning environment in which Christian scholars seek to develop whole persons—body, mind, and spirit—who faithfully engage all of life with the gospel of Christ and the truth of His word, for the good of the church, the improvement of the world, and the greater glory of God.