



2025 Mary Blair Whytsell Scholarship Application

Who is eligible?

An applicant must be a student who is (a) completing a degree program at Garrett College, (b) will earn an AA/AAS at the end of the current spring 2025 semester or earned an AA/AAS in the fall 2024 semester, (c) will be transferring into an accredited institution of higher education to pursue a degree program leading to a BA or BS, (d) and identifies as female. She must arrange her own admission into a degree program at the institution of her choice and be accepted by the institution. This scholarship is intended to help a woman who has limited resources to continue her education and is available only while pursuing an undergraduate degree. Applicants may not have received this scholarship previously.

How much is the award?

A Mary Blair Whytsell (MBW) Scholarship awards the recipient up to \$1,500 to be used during the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 academic years. The scholarship award is for educational expenses (including but not limited to fees, books, supplies, and equipment).

How are scholarship recipients chosen?

The Scholarship Committee of AAUW-Garrett Branch will review all applications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. If deemed necessary by the committee, qualified applicants may be invited for an interview. The recipient will be selected by the Scholarship Committee and her name will be sent to the Mary Blair Whytsell family for their records.

Scholarship awards are based on the following:

- An official transcript(s) showing proof of attendance and completion of the student's program of study, leading to the awarding of an AA/AAS degree at Garrett College.
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited institution of higher education in a degree-seeking status (i.e. not simply taking non-degree courses) in a program of study leading to a bachelor's degree.
- An essay of approximately 250 words describing the applicant's career goals and the financial and other obstacles that make reaching these goals difficult.
- One letter of reference from a Garrett College faculty member or administrator who knows the applicant well.
- A copy of the applicant's SAR (Student Aid Report) from FAFSA account.
- A completed Mary Blair Whytsell Scholarship Application.

What are the responsibilities of a scholarship winner?

She must attend the university/college to which she has been accepted in the fall semester following her acceptance of the award. She must be willing to be photographed and have her biography published locally for publicity purposes. Additionally, she must be willing to participate in at least one AAUW fund-raising or service project during the year following her acceptance. Scholarship funds can be requested once per semester by the student by submitting (a) invoices for payment directly to the educational institution or (b) receipts for reimbursement. The student is invited to submit documentation for expenses that are not required for enrollment, but that are relevant to her education.

Deadline

The Scholarship Application and required documents must be received by April 15, 2025.

Contact the AAUW-Garrett Scholarship Committee at scholarshipsaauwgarrettbranch@gmail.com to request an application or if you have questions. Completed applications must be emailed to scholarshipsaauwgarrettbranch@gmail.com



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Note: Please attach a separate sheet if additional space is needed to answer any of the questions below.

Full Name: Birth Date:
Address:
Cell Phone: Home Phone:
Email:

Occupation, if other than full-time student:
Employer:
Annual Salary/Income: Full-Time Part-Time
All other sources and amounts of household income:

Name, age, and relationship of household members:

Are you a 1st generation college student (neither of your parents completed a college degree)? YES or NO

Major or program of study at Garrett College: Note: Those majoring in a Transfer Program that requires transfer to another institution for completion of an Associates or related degree – i.e. Criminal Justice, Culinary Arts, and Allied Health Services – are not eligible for this scholarship.

Date you will/have completed your Associate's Degree at Garrett College:

Courses you are currently taking and the number of credits earned for each course:

Name of the 4-year institution you will be attending after Garrett College (attach proof of acceptance):

Total cost of education per semester: for (number of credits)

Plans for financing your education:

Other scholarships applied for and those received (from whom, when received, amount):

What else would you like the Selection Committee to know about you?

I hereby certify that the information provided on this Scholarship Application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have provided, along with this completed Scholarship Application, a copy of my latest official transcript, the letter of acceptance from a four-year institution of higher education, my essay, my SAR, and a letter of reference. Applications will not be considered until all required materials have been received.

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Signature of Applicant

Date