



Twenty Pearls Incorporated Dr. Saundra Sellars Copeland Graduate Scholarship

Dr. Saundra Sellars Copeland Scholarship of Merit is awarded to individuals who will enroll in the **Master of School Administration (MSA) or the Master of Education in Elementary Education (MED) graduate program at Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) in the fall of 2021**. The scholarship requirements are aligned with the new mandates for the Council for the Accreditation for Teacher Preparation (CAEP). The scholarship award is for \$500.00.

Eligibility

1. Grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale from a college or university
2. Must hold a degree from an accredited college or university
3. **Must hold an A licensure in teaching**
4. Meet all other ECSU graduate program admissions requirements for 2021 fall enrollment (Letter of Admission must be included with the application)
5. Applicants must have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service or other extracurricular activities
6. **For MSA only- Must have three years or more of teaching experience**

Documents Required

1. Completed Signed Application.
2. Essay Topic: ***Discuss why you have chosen Elizabeth City State University, the purpose for you applying for the merit scholarship, and why you are interested in completing the MED or MSA program. The essay must be typed.*** A minimum of 750 words is required.
3. Two letters of recommendation, **no more than 1-page**; one from a school official, teacher, etc. and one letter from another individual who can objectively assess your abilities and character. (Please no family members). Please ask your references to address the following and forward directly to scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org and include your complete name in subject line.
 - Reference's position or title
 - Indicate how long and in what capacity you have known the applicant
Describe the applicant's motivation and potential for academic success. Please be specific.
 - Describe the applicant's distinctive qualities or a unique characteristic that you have personally observed that makes the applicant particularly qualified to receive a TPI Scholarship.
4. Official transcript certified by the registrar or other recognized official the **most current (after January 2021)** sent to scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org and **received no later than midnight May 14, 2021**.

Application Submission: The application, college acceptance letter and original essay must be submitted by uploading via the website via Adobe pdf. Letters of recommendations and transcripts should be sent to the scholarship chairman at scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org. **All applications and supporting documentation must be received no later than midnight May 14, 2021.**



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Dr. Sandra Sellars Copeland Graduate Scholarship

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

(____) _____

Home Phone

(____) _____

Cell Phone

_____ **Email Address**

_____ **Male** _____ **Female**

_____ **Social Security Number**

_____ **Date of Birth**

Graduate School Accepted or Enrolled: _____

Graduate School Address: _____

Current GPA: _____

School Involvement (Include offices held, honors, and awards):

Community Involvement



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Accomplishments (Include offices held, honors, awards)

Statement of Acknowledgement

As a condition of acceptance of this award, I, the undersigned, agree that the information provided is correct and factual to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I must be accepted or currently enrolled in graduate school at Elizabeth City State University the time of submission. I must submit a fully complete application package by the deadline. I also understand that this scholarship award is only for the 2021-2022 academic school year. All applications and essays become the property of Twenty Pearls Incorporated.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____