

# The William H. Dunlap Scholarship Program

## Erskine College Due West, South Carolina

It was 1895. The place was a hospital in Rome, Georgia. A minister of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, The Reverend J.P. Knox of Hickory Grove, South Carolina, prayed as his wife Lutie Brice, lay on the operating table. On that day, Mr. Knox made a commitment that he would do some special work for God. As soon as Mrs. Knox's health permitted, they set about carrying out the plan to provide a home for, and minister to, fatherless and motherless children.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1897, an orphanage was opened at Hickory Grove, South Carolina. This work was handicapped from the beginning by having only two and one-half acres. Those in charge thought it would be good to have farmland, the cultivation of which would give employment to the boys and girls as well as provide funds for the home.

The Dunlap family heard the need and responded and plans were made to donate more than 300 acres of land to the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Fifty years earlier the Dunlap family had set sail from Belfast for America. The father died during the journey and was buried at sea. The remainder of the family settled in Tipton County, Tennessee, including children William and Elizabeth.

William H. Dunlap died on January 26, 1903, and shortly after his death his daughter, Annie Belle Dunlap McDaniel, and her husband, Robert Warden McDaniel, (members of the Salem Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church) made a deed of 245 acres to the General Synod "...for the purpose of carrying out the cherished plan and design of the fatherless and helpless children ... for the maintenance, support and education of orphans who are without means of support and education ...). Mrs. Elizabeth Dunlap Spain added to the bequest 91 acres of adjoining property.

On January 11, 1905, the children from the orphanage in Hickory Grove moved to the William H. Dunlap Orphanage. The Dunlap Home continued to minister to orphans and need children until it closed June 30, 1978.

The ministry to those in need continues! The William H. Dunlap Scholarships are a part of the ministry. It is the prayerful hope that if you are a recipient, you too will make a commitment "to do some special work for God" and that as opportunity arises in the future, you will allow your resources to assist others in their life pilgrimage.

Board of Trustees  
William H. Dunlap Orphanage, Inc.

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### General Information

In order to maintain the ministry to young men and women, which the William H. Dunlap Orphanage carried out from, 1905-1978, an undergraduate scholarship program has been established.

**I. Who is eligible?**

Students who have been deprived of one or both parents, either by death, desertion, or other conditions which prevents such students from having normal parental care.

**II. How do I apply?**

Each applicant must complete an admission application to Erskine College, the William H. Dunlap Scholarship application, and the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*. These forms may be secured by contacting the addresses listed below.

**III. What is the amount of the scholarship?**

The annual William H. Dunlap Scholarship shall be in the amount of up to \$4,000 each as determined by the Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee. Renewal of the Dunlap Scholarship in succeeding years requires satisfactory academic progress toward a degree and the maintaining of the financial qualifications originally associated with the award.

**IV. When do I apply?**

Applicants must submit the Dunlap Scholarship application, the application for admission to Erskine College and the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Recipients will be selected by the Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee and will be notified in writing.

Director of Financial Aid  
Erskine College  
PO Box 337  
Due West, SC 29639  
Telephone: (864) 379-8832  
Or visit our web site at:

[www.erskine.edu](http://www.erskine.edu)

**Endorsement  
For  
The William H. Dunlap Scholarship**

Each applicant must be endorsed by the session or official governing board of a church or by the sponsoring board for those applicants living in a home for children. Your endorsement ascertains that the applicant has been deprived of one or both parents either by death, desertion, or other conditions, which prevents the applicant from having normal parental care. You are further stating that your Session or Board considers this applicant to be a worthy candidate and recommends his/her considerations for the Dunlap Scholarship.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church/Board \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# The William H. Dunlap Scholarship Application

Erskine College

PO Box 337

Due West, South Carolina 29639

1-800-241-8721 or 1-864-379-8832

## Please print or type

### Student Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

### Parent Information

Parents' Current Marital Status: *Circle one*

Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate below the criterion which applies to your situation:

Father Deceased: State Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother Deceased: State Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Both Parents Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: *Please Explain* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature _____	Date _____
Father/Guardian's Signature _____	Date _____
Mother/Guardian's Signature _____	Date _____