SNA of SC provides the following scholarship opportunities for SNA of SC Members and their dependents:

- Member Scholarship *(to be applied towards 2 or 4 year degrees)*
- Member Award/Grant *(to be applied towards courses for job development in the field)*
- Dependent Scholarship *(to be applied towards 2 or 4 year degrees)*

Members and Dependents are defined as:

1. **Member** – Current member of SNA/SNA of SC
2. **Dependent** – Any individual claimed as a dependent on your tax return *(adopted from IRS definition of a dependent)*

A scholarship recipient may receive an award for a maximum of four (4) college years. Receipt of the scholarship by a student one year does not guarantee receipt in future years. Applications must be completed on a yearly basis.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING**

**STEP 1** – Ensure that the applicant meets the scholarship eligibility requirements

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

1. **Current Member of SNA of SC**
   a. **Member Scholarship or Award/Grant**: SNA Member has **two consecutive years** of membership and be currently employed in school food service.
   b. **Dependent Scholarship**: SNA Member has **five consecutive years** of membership and currently employed in school food service.

2. **Academic Prerequisites** - *Documentation must reflect the most current academic year*
   a. **Member Scholarship**
      - Hold an approved high school graduate certificate or diploma
      - Transcripts must reflect a “B” average or higher
      - Provide a copy of an acceptance letter from an accredited college or university
      - Apply for undergraduate work in institutional management or a related field and indicate an interest for continuing studies in school food service
        - OR
        - Have attended an accredited college or university and wish to continue studying toward a degree in a field related to food services
        - OR
        - Hold a degree from an accredited college or university and desire graduate study in a field related to school food service
   b. **Member Award/Grant**
      - Submit a letter showing interest to improve career in school food service programs in South Carolina through classes/courses pertinent to job-related skills
   c. **Dependent Scholarship**
      - Hold an approved high school graduate certificate or diploma
      - Transcripts must reflect a “B” average or higher
      - Provide a copy of an acceptance letter from an accredited college or university
      - Apply for undergraduate work
        - OR
        - Have attended an accredited college or university and wish to continue studying toward a degree
        - OR
        - Hold a degree from an accredited college or university and desire graduate study
STEP 2 – Compile application materials

1) Complete attached application form

2) Verification of member’s required years of employment and membership in SNA of SC
   a. Copy of current membership card or typed notice from local chapter membership chair

3) Personal letter (100 - 300 words) outlining:
   a. Reason for selection of school food service as a profession (members only).
   b. Professional and educational goals.
   c. Community activity and SNA of SC activities (members only).
   d. Extra curricula activities/work (dependents only).
   e. Additional information pertinent to reasons for application.

4) Proof of Academic Performance
   ➢ Member and Dependent Scholarships: Most current transcript from an educational institution showing proof of academic performance.
   ➢ Member Award/Grant: Letter showing interest to improve career in school food service programs in South Carolina through classes/courses pertinent to job-related skills.

5) Copy of Official Acceptance Letter
   a. Provide a copy of the official acceptance letter from an accredited college or university (if this is your first time applying for this scholarship)

6) Three Letters of Recommendation
   a. Personal Reference
      □ Attached □ Being mailed separately
   b. Supervisor, Director, or Employer (or teacher, if dependent is not employed)
      □ Attached □ Being mailed separately
   c. School Principal, Superintendent, Guidance Counselor, or Dean
      (Members - letter may be from either the school you attended as a student or from the school where you have been employed)
      □ Attached □ Being mailed separately

*** Letters of Recommendation should include the following information:
   (NOTE: Provide the person preparing your reference letter with this information to ensure that these items are addressed)
   ✓ Capacity in which applicant has been known
   ✓ Length of time applicant has been known
   ✓ Personality
   ✓ Ability
   ✓ Initiative
   ✓ Leadership qualities
   ✓ Potential as a professional person

7) Recent photograph – all applicants, to be used for conference book and SNA of SC website

Step 3 – Send the completed application

1) Submission must be postmarked or received no later than May 1, 2019. Only completed applications received by this date will be considered.

2) Send complete application to the following address.
   Dr. Vivian Pilant Scholarship Program Committee
   School Nutrition Association of South Carolina
   Post Office Box 1795
   Columbia, SC 29202
**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Scholarships will be awarded after August 1, 2019, and checks will be mailed to the address on this application, made payable to the SNA of SC member as scholarship recipient or as parent/guardian for the dependent.

**Should you receive a scholarship or award/grant, the following conditions apply:**

- Member will sign a written agreement to work in South Carolina school food service for at least one year or repay the Association the amount received within one (1) year.

- Dependent and member sign agreement to return the money to the SNA of SC if not used for its intended purpose.

- The scholarship award is for the current school year and does not carry over to the next school year. You must attend in the school year the award is granted. Failure to do so will require recipient to repay the entire scholarship award amount.
DR. VIVIAN PILANT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Directions: Please read carefully before completing this application. TYPE or PRINT answers. Submit all requested information by May 1, 2019. Add extra pages if necessary.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

| Member’s Name: | Scholarship Year: August 2019 – July 2020 |
| If applying for Dependent Scholarship, his/her name: |
| Mailing Address: |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| Member’s Place of Employment (School Name): |
| County/District: |
| Phone: (Home) | (Work) |
| Member’s Email: |
| Dependent’s Email: |

SNA Membership Number: ____________________ (Documentation must be sent with application.)

Number of Consecutive Years of Membership: ________

I am applying for:  
☐ Member Scholarship  
☐ Member Award/Grant  
☐ Dependent Scholarship

PERSONAL DATA OF PERSON APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Have you previously received this scholarship?  
☐ Yes  
☐ No  
If yes, indicate year(s):  
☐ 2014  ☐ 2015  ☐ 2016  ☐ 2017  ☐ 2018

Have you received a high school diploma or GED?  
☐ Yes  
☐ No

EDUCATION OF PERSON APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIP: List all attended. (high school, college, or university)

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Major Area(s) of Study:
Undergraduate
Graduate

Are you currently working on a degree? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, what degree? ________________________

PLANNED PROGRAM OF CLASSES:
Name and address of school you are presently attending or you have been accepted to attend:
School:
Address:
City: State: ZIP:
Name of Major Advisor: ________________________

WORK EXPERIENCE OF PERSON WHO WILL BE USING SCHOLARSHIP (List most recent first.)

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SIGNATURES REQUIRED:
I (We) confirm that the information provided is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge.

Signature of Member ________________________ Signature of Dependent ________________________

INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.

Note:
Scholarships will be awarded after August 1, 2019, and checks will be mailed to the address on this application, made payable to the SNA of SC member as scholarship recipient or as parent/guardian for the dependent.
THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please include this page with your application, indicating if the three letters are attached or being mailed separately. Also, enter the person’s name providing the letter. If your letters will be submitted by the person writing them, please be sure you have informed them of the deadline – May 1, 2019.

A. Personal Reference

☐ Attached ☐ Being mailed separately

Name: __________________________________________________________

B. Supervisor, Director, or Employer (or teacher, if dependent is not employed)

☐ Attached ☐ Being mailed separately

Name: __________________________________________________________

C. School Principal, Superintendent, Guidance Counselor, Advisor, or Dean
(Members – letter may be from either the school you attended as a student or from the school where you are employed)

☐ Attached ☐ Being mailed separately

Name: __________________________________________________________

Please make sure the following items are included in your application packet before mailing (see page 2 of the instructions for further details).

☐ Complete application form.
☐ Verification of member’s required years of employment/membership in SNA/SNA of SC
☐ Personal letter (100-300 words)
☐ Current Transcript showing Proof of Academic Performance
☐ Copy of Official Acceptance Letter (if this is your first time applying for this scholarship)
☐ Three Letters of Recommendations
  o Personal Reference
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☐ Recent Photograph