

Mom's Scholarship

In Memory of Virginia Hoover Harrison Root



*Hinds Elementary
1955-56*

Virginia was born on her parents' homestead at Arapaho, Oklahoma Territory, on March 28, 1907. In 1913 her family came to Bassett Lake in Yankee Springs Township in Barry County where she completed chart class through 8th grade at the Coman (Country) School. She graduated from Middleville High School in 1925. After receiving her Life Certificate in teaching she taught at Bowens Mill (Country) School, Robbins (Country) School, Coman (Country) School, and W.K. Kellogg (Middleville) School. Then she stayed home full time to care for her family of nine children. In 1954, at the age of 47, she returned to teaching to help support her family. During the next 20 years she taught at the Hinds (Country) School, Freeport Elementary School and Thornapple Kellogg Schools. Hence, all of her teaching was in Barry County. In 1970, she completed her Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University. Virginia had the ability to look for the positive in any situation. By example, she was caring and kind. She lived to be 91 years old and would be pleased to know this scholarship is for another Mom supporting her family and has the desire to earn a vocational/technical or college degree to help herself and her family.

Mom's Scholarship

In Memory of Virginia Hoover Harrison Root

This scholarship is to be awarded to a Barry County Mom (female) who is the primary support for her family. It is intended to provide additional educational skills to assist her in caring for her family. This a renewal scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements

- A. Be a Barry County resident mother.
- B. Must be accepted to an approved college or vocational/technical course of study.
- C. Have custody of and be responsible for daily care of dependent children (under 18 years old)
- D. Be a recipient of or applying for a Pell Grant (and other federal financial aid)
- F. Not to be a dependent claimed on another individual Federal Tax Return.

Application Information

The application needs to be completed by June 1st. To access the application, go to the Barry Community Foundation web site www.barrycf.org/scholarship/ click on Non-Traditional Student/Adult under the Scholarship Requirements column and find the Mom's Scholarship.

For questions or concerns or to make an appointment for assistance, call the Barry Community Foundation 269-945-0526.

Please mail the following **no later than June 1st** to:

Attn: Scholarship, Barry Community Foundation
231 S Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058.

1. Wallet size photo.
2. Acceptance letter from a college or vocational school.
3. One hard copy (printed and completed) of online application.

Note: Material must be sent, postmarked and completed by June 1st. No applications will be accepted after June 1st.

Procedure for Selection

- A. Two Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation designees.
- B. One member of Virginia Hooper Harrison Root's family; if none are available, the Foundation will choose all members.
- C. An interview may be held to select the recipient.

Scholarship Awards

- A. The amount of the award will depend on the availability of funds, an award shall be no less, but may exceed \$500.00.
- B. The number and amount of awards will be determined by available funds.
- C. Reapplication needs to be done yearly.

- D. Award continuance not to exceed 6 years may be granted
- E. Distribution of award will be made directly to the learn institution, after receiving verification of student's enrollment.
- F. One must demonstrated good citizenship. The award will be terminated:
 - a. If convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol (DUI) or alcohol possession and under 21 years of age.
 - b. If convicted of drug distribution or possession.
- G. In case of illness or other excusable absence from recipient's program, one year interruption may be granted to the scholarship recipient upon review of the scholarship administrator.

Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation Mom's Scholarship Application

Date Application Completed _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____, MI Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Occupation: _____

1. How many family members under 18 years of age are you financially responsible for? _____
2. Are you providing over 50% of financial support for your household? _____
3. Do you have a high school degree or GED (General Educational Diploma) ?

4. Have you been accepted to college or vocational school? _____
If So where? _____
5. Do you need financial assistance for your education? _____
6. Are you currently working? _____ Where? _____
7. Do you have future plans to work while attending college or vocational/technical program? _____
8. Please indicate which of the following FAFSA results show that you qualify for:
Federal Pell Grant Yes _____ No _____
If NOT a Pell Grant what type of loan do you qualify for: _____
10. Please identify any other scholarships/grants you have applied for or received.

On an 8"x 11" sheet of paper, answer the following and attach to this application.

Write a composition about yourself. Include short and long term personal and educational goals, extra curricular and community activities.

Please list interview days and times you would be available for an interview if needed.