

The Mathews Scholarship Fund

Mathews Scholarship Application

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME TELEPHONE: _____

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY: _____

DATE OF ADMISSION: _____

DEGREE PROGRAM: _____

MAJOR: _____

MINOR: _____

ATTACHMENTS TO INCLUDE:

- * Two letters of reference
- * One copy of your high school transcript
(Award winners typically have a B average or better.)
- * A short essay of two or three pages on why you have decided to become a teacher. Describe any experiences in the classroom and in extracurricular community activities that influenced your decision.

Those selected for rewards are asked to write a similar essay on their first year's experiences--insight gained from readings, courses that were particularly useful, lessons learned from faculty and fellow students.

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Students who live in Clarke County, Alabama, and are planning to become school teachers are invited to apply for the scholarship to assist them with a college education at the institution of their choice. Priority will be given to entering undergraduate students who plan to become English or social studies teachers. The Purpose of the scholarship is to encourage able young people to be teachers and support them in the crucial first year of college. The scholarship will come from the Mathews Scholarship Fund; the award is made by the Community Foundation of South Alabama, the holder of the Fund, and will be paid to the institution of the winner's choice. The amount of the award is \$1,000.

Doris Pearson Mathews was born in Elmore County in 1910 to Grace Theodosia (Rouse) and Albert Pearson. She attended Duke University and Auburn University before beginning a lifetime career teaching English and social studies. An excellent teacher, both caring and demanding, she won the lasting respect of her students. Her greatest gift to them was her love of learning. Forrest Lee Mathews, born in Clarke County in 1911 to Emma (Bumpers) and David Chapman Mathews, graduated from Auburn. He began his career as a teacher and coach and followed his father to serve two terms as superintendent of the public schools in Clarke County. Louise Mathews Hearn, also a teacher, and Louis Waldrum Mathews, a business executive, shared the family's devotion to education.

✓ Applications must be postmarked by March 15; the award will normally be made in April. The applications will be reviewed and forwarded to the Foundation by the Mathews Scholarship Fund Committee, chaired by Marion Bumpers of Grove Hill. Applications should be sent to:

Marion Bumpers
P O Box 173
Grove Hill, AL 36451

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PURPOSES

Initiated by a gift from Forrest Lee Mathews, and later augmented by gifts from family and friends, the Mathews Scholarship Fund perpetuates the memory of Mr. Mathews; his wife, Doris Pearson Mathews; his sister, Louise Mathews Hearn; and his brother, Louis Waldrum Mathews.

The objective of the Scholarship Fund is to assist young people who plan to become teachers. In Clarke County, Alabama, where the Mathews spent most of their careers, the Fund provides scholarships to attract able students into the teaching profession. These awards are described in the document.

The Community Foundation of South Alabama is advised by the following committee members:

**Marion Bumpers, Chairwoman
Janet Anderson
Jean Daffin**

Contributions to the Mathews Scholarship Fund in the Community Foundation of South Alabama are tax exempt; additional gifts from those who share in its objectives are not solicited but welcomed.