

April Marie "Sweet" Hart Scholarship Application Form

Friends and family of **April Marie Hart** established the **April Marie "Sweet" Hart Scholarship** in her memory at Virginia Commonwealth University. April was an accomplished VCU student who planned to be a first grade teacher. She loved children and cheerleading, and especially loved teaching gymnastics to her students at the East Richmond Gymnastics Center in Richmond. April passed away June 25, 2003, at the age of 20. Award criteria are indicated below:

- Student must be majoring in a subject offered in the College of Humanities and Sciences or the School of Education and planning to become a teacher.
- Student must have and maintain a 3.0 GPA. (Copy of unofficial transcript required.)
- Student will have or have had a demonstrated interest in gymnastics or cheerleading, with preference given to any student who has participated in activities at the East Richmond Gymnastics Center.
- Student must be enrolled at the time award distribution is made available.
- Student must submit a double-spaced essay (approximately 500 words) and two letters of recommendation from faculty members. The essay should describe the student's interest in gymnastics, career aspirations, any challenges the student has overcome in pursuing a degree and participation in campus activities and leadership roles. The essay must be attached to this application with the student's name clearly printed at the top of the page. (Please ask faculty to cite the title of this scholarship, April Marie "Sweet" Hart Scholarship, in their letters of recommendation.)

Application materials must be submitted to the Office of the Dean in a single package containing original and two copies of the following: application form, essay, unofficial transcript and two reference letters by Feb. 1 at 5 p.m.

Applicant information

Name: _____ Student ID No.: V _____ Current GPA: _____
(unofficial transcript required)

Major: _____ Anticipated graduation/semester date: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Permanent address: _____

Street or P.O. Box number

City

State

ZIP code

If awarded this scholarship, I understand that I will be required to:

- Be enrolled in the College of Humanities and Sciences during the academic period for which the award is made available.
- Maintain the required academic performance set forth in the scholarship guidelines. (Scholarship may be revoked if requirements are not met.)
- Write a letter of thanks to the donor(s) of the scholarship(s) and to attend recognition events when invited, and to participate in other stewardship activities when asked.
- Give the university permission to release information about me for donor stewardship and award purposes.
- Give the university permission to use my photograph or quotes in publications and for stewardship purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____

Submit completed application package to:

VCU College of Humanities and Sciences
 Office of the Dean
 Scholarship Awards Committee
 828 West Franklin Street
 P.O. Box 842019
 Richmond, Virginia 23284-2019

Have you enclosed the originals and ...

- Two copies of the application form?
- Two copies of the essay?
- Two copies of the transcript?
- Two copies of the reference letters?

Due date is Feb. 1 at 5 p.m. Incomplete applications will not be given consideration. No exceptions will be made.