



# SYLVIA MCCONNELL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in the Sylvia McConnell Scholarship! This \$1,000 scholarship was created in honor of the late Sylvia McConnell of Wetumpka, AL. Sylvia was one of the founding board members of The Kelly and served on the Board as an officer for a number of years. She taught in Elmore County Schools for over 37 years, and now we present this annual scholarship to continue her legacy.

This scholarship is for a high school senior attending an accredited Elmore County high school who plans to study art in college and is passionate about pursuing art as a career. Eligible students must have a GPA of C or above to be considered.

The Award will be presented to the winning candidate by members of the Kelly Fitzpatrick Center for the Arts. Applications are due by **Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, and applicants will be notified of the decision by April 19<sup>th</sup>.

*If you have any questions, please contact us at [Scholarship@TheKelly.org](mailto:Scholarship@TheKelly.org) or (334) 478-3366.*

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Way to be Contacted:  Call  Text  Email  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired College: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Major: \_\_\_\_\_

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## PORTFOLIO REVIEW

Please provide at least five (5) quality photos that you feel best represents you. You may submit either digital photos of your artwork or the original artworks, and please submit with your application. All portfolio documentation will be returned to the candidates.

IMPORTANT: All artwork(s) and object(s) must be works created by the submitting student. Plagiarized art is not allowed and may result in revocation of scholarship eligibility. This includes use of AI art but does not include the use of reference photos.

## QUESTIONS

Please answer the following three narrative questions on a separate sheet(s) and attach with your application. The length of your answers is of less importance than thoroughness and thoughtfulness.

1. Please describe your art, your inspirations, and how you plan to pursue Art as your career path.
2. Please describe a difficult challenge you have overcome or a success you have achieved that you feel is significant to you.
3. Please describe how you would be a good representative of Elmore County as you pursue your post-baccalaureate endeavors.

## REQUIRED ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

- A certified copy of your transcript and your SAT or ACT scores that should be provided by the Guidance Counselor.
- Two letters of recommendation/reference, one of which **must** be from your art teacher. (Please see "Letter of Reference Criteria" for more details.)

Please send this application, artwork/photos, and additional required materials to us in one of the following ways.

- Online at <https://TheKelly.org/Scholarship/>
- Email to [Scholarship@TheKelly.org](mailto:Scholarship@TheKelly.org) with the subject as: Scholarship Application for [Your Name]
- Mail to us at The Kelly Fitzpatrick Center for the Arts, PO Box 641, Wetumpka, AL 36092.
- Come to the gallery to drop off your packet at 301 Hill Street, Wetumpka, AL 36092.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us at (334)478-3366 or [Scholarship@TheKelly.org](mailto:Scholarship@TheKelly.org).