



**JEANETTE SHELL BOOK
FUND SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION
2027**

**Post Office Box 688
Maplewood, N.J. 07040**

Dear Recipient:

Enclosed are the 2026 Jeanette Shell Book Scholarship Applications. Please read and carefully complete all information as requested.

A checklist of items is listed below for your convenience, to ensure you have completed all parts of the application as required.

CHECKLIST:

- _____ Official Transcript**
- _____ Completed Computer Generated Application**
- _____ Township of Union Public Library Card**
- _____ Typed Essay (250-300) words double spaced**
- _____ Four (4) Letters of Recommendations. Two(2) school related; 2 community related**
- _____ Proof of registration at a post-secondary accredited college, university or an accredited trade school**

Submit your completed computer generated application to:

Jeanette Shell Book Scholarship Committee

Attn: Mr. Floyd Patterson

P. O. Box 688

Maplewood, N.J. 07040 OR *email it* to jshellbookfund@gmail.com.

Your application must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2027 If you have any questions, contact:

Mr. Floyd Patterson @ (908) 337-1014 or Ms. Bertha Mathews (908) 578-0628

Respectfully,

The Jeanette Shell Book Scholarship Fund Committee

Mrs. Jeanette Shell, a longtime resident of the Vauxhall community, began her career at the Vauxhall branch of the Township of Union Public Library in 1949. Through the years, Mrs. Shell used her intelligence, coupled with commitment and study, to acquire the professional skills needed to perform various duties. This resulted in a steady stream of promotions beginning with the move from Junior Library Assistant to Senior Library Assistant in 1957. later, Mrs. Shell worked in the Reference Department, and in the 1960s was promoted to scheduling all employees within the Township's library system. whenever serving in these various capacities, Mrs. Shell always extended the utmost kindness and courtesies. Admired by many in her community, she served as a wonderful role model to anyone aspiring to accomplish great things in life.

PURPOSE:

The Jeanette Shell Book Scholarship Fund, established upon the retirement of Mrs. Shell, seeks to continually honor her for her forty-five years of dedicated service she rendered to the community, by aiding graduating Union High School seniors or post-secondary school students each year with financial assistance.

In 1998, on the recommendation of Mrs. Jeanette Shell, the names of Mrs Judith Murphy and Mrs Rosa Sloan were added to the awards for their contribution during their tenure at the Vauxhall Branch of the Township of Union Public Library. This recognition will be acknowledged during the annual Jeanette Shell Book Scholarship awards services.

ALL AWARDS ARE ADMINISTERED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION.

GOALS: (1) Promote academic achievement by providing financial aid for students who matriculated through the Township of Union Public School System with an incentive to pursue a post secondary education.

JEANETTE SHELL BOOK SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

Post-High School Institutions Applied To:

1.

2.

3.

(2) SCHOOL-RELATED ACTIVITIES' LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone: ()

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone: ()

(2) COMMUNITY-RELATED ACTIVITIES LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone: ()

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone: ()

2027 -ESSAY QUESTION

Describe a time when you engaged with someone who held a different political view. What did you learn from that experience, and how can colleges foster respectful, solution-oriented dialogue across differences?