



The Dr. Curtis E. Tate College Scholarship Fund, Inc. 2014 Scholarship Application Form

To the Applicant:

The Dr. Curtis E. Tate College Scholarship Fund was established in 1998 to honor the life of Curt Tate. Dr. Tate died in his sleep in February 1998. He was a fierce competitor, a great martial artist and one of the first members of USA Martial Arts. The scholarship is intended to provide of financial aid to a qualifying student or child of a student of USA Martial Arts and is awarded annually in the amount of \$1500.00. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of achievement in relation to the student's goals and character as determined from responses on the application, written recommendations, and the ability to meet the scholarship requirements. The award must be used to further the student's college education and must be applied to school expenses in the year in which it is received. Awards are for one year but students/child of a student may reapply each year. The Scholarship winner will be notified by mail in June.

The information required in this application will enable us to determine your eligibility to receive the scholarship. All information is kept confidential. Awards are made without regard to sex, race, creed, color or national origin.

ELIGIBILITY Each applicant shall:

- be a martial artist (or the child of a martial artist), who is an active member in good standing and has been taking classes or teaching for the last 2 consecutive years at USA Martial Arts in Woodbury, CT, USA Martial Arts in Naugatuck, CT or at one of the eligible Park & Recreation Programs sponsored by USA Martial Arts.
- be an entering or current college student.
- have a completed application **ARRIVE ON OR BEFORE NOON, APRIL 5, 2014** at the following address:

**USA Martial Arts / Attn: Tate Scholarship Coordinator
744 Main Street South, Middle Quarter, Woodbury, CT 06798 · Tel: (203) 266-9172**

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. **APPLICATION FORM:** Please complete this form using type or use a word processor. Use extra paper if necessary.
 2. **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Submit two current letters of recommendation from an adult (non-relative) who has known you for the last two years. Recommendations must speak to the qualities and character demonstrated by Dr. Curtis E. Tate.
 3. **ESSAY:** Answer the essay question listed on the following page and attach your essay to this form.
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Certification:

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____



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Name _____

Address _____

Name of parent/guardian _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Year you or your parent began martial arts _____

Where do you or your parent take martial arts _____

Name of Post-Secondary School if known _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Graduation Date _____

Major field of study or career objective _____

Year in post-secondary program (coming school year): 1 2 3 4 5+

On a separate page, please describe any extra curricular activities in school, the martial arts, and/or the community in which you have participated (e.g., sports, clubs, awards, volunteer work, performing arts, leadership and mentor positions, instructor/assistant instructor, demo team, help with fundraising, tournament participation, community service awards, scouts, clubs, church, serious hobbies or interests). Briefly explain how your participation has been of benefit to yourself and/or others.

ESSAY QUESTION: On a separate page(s), please write an essay that reflects how, in your life, you demonstrate qualities and characteristics similar to Dr. Curtis E. Tate. Dr. Tate was a generous and giving man who was involved in the community and was a good role model. Although fiercely competitive, he was also thoughtful, kind and dedicated to his patients, his family and those in the community. As a martial artist, he mentored and encouraged younger students and was supportive of all of his classmates. You may want to use examples of this in your family life or your community and explain why. We are especially interested in your experiences that are most significant to you and why. (2 page Maximum).



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Criteria for The Dr. Curtis E. Tate Scholarship:

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: We wish to recognize an individual who is giving, dedicated, involved in the community, a good role model and who demonstrates characteristics similar to those demonstrated by Dr. Curtis E. Tate. Submit two current letters of recommendation from an adult (non-relative) who has known you for the last two years. Recommendations must speak to the way in which you demonstrate these characteristics. Recommendations may be written on a separate sheet of paper.
