

## **Scholarship Information & Essay Guidelines**

2025 Deadline to Submit: **3/31/25** 

# **Participation Criteria:**

- High school seniors and existing college students utilizing Bank of Botetourt to provide their banking services.
- Students who have maintained an average GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Students who maintain an active checking account with Bank of Botetourt.
- This scholarship is unavailable to Bank of Botetourt employees and their immediate family members.

## **Essay Guidelines:**

- 1. Topic- "How has Bank of Botetourt helped meet your family's financial needs, and what difference has the Bank made in your community?"
- 2. A **title page** with your information on it. This page should be written separately from your essay but within the same document, as the first page. It should have the following information:
  - I. Name
  - II. An active E-mail address
  - III. Phone number
  - IV. Your school's name
  - V. The date submitted
  - VI. Brief statement about your plans after high school or after college
  - VII. The Title of Your Essay
  - VIII. Your most recent GPA

- 3. Your essay should be limited to 3 pages, not exceeding 1,000 words with the following formatting:
  - I. Double Spaced
  - II. 12-Point Times New Roman Font
  - III. 1-1.5" margins
  - IV. Indented paragraphs with space between paragraphs.
  - V. No personal information such as your name should be included in the essay or on any other page than the title page, as the essays are judged anonymously, and this is to ensure fairness amongst all applicants.
- 4. In a separate document from the title page and essay page, please include **proof of enrollment in your school and GPA verification.** This can be your transcript or a letter from your guidance counselor stating that your GPA meets or exceeds the average GPA required to apply for this scholarship opportunity.

### **Submission:**

Please submit scholarships electronically or by mail:

#### **Email Submission:**

scholarship@bankofbotetourt.com

### **Mail Submission:**

Bank of Botetourt Scholarship Application ATTN: *Marketing and Community Relations* PO Box 175

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For additional information, please contact the Bank's Financial Education representative at scholarship@bankofbotetourt.com