



JC Runyon FOUNDATION

Scholarship Application 2019

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First Name: _____ M: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ (h) _____ (c) _____

Email: _____

* Please check email often, this is the preferred form of communication.

**Note that we prefer all communication be directly with you, not a parent or third party.

DOB: _____

High School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

* Must submit an official transcript

ACT/SAT Score _____ (send scores if you have them - copy is ok)

High School Graduation Date (Projected or Actual) _____

College Credit Hours Received: _____

* Please specify dual enrollment hours, AP credit, or college credit

****If you are currently enrolled in college and have been out of high school for many years, send your most recent transcripts only****

Student Name: _____

Attach a letter of acceptance to a university, college or tradeschool.

If you are already enrolled in a college, this is not necessary, your current transcripts suffice.

A photocopy of your email is acceptable. If you have not decided, fill UNDECIDED in the blank below.

Name of school you plan to attend: _____

Please circle Tuition Rate: In-State Out-of-State

- Projected Tuition Cost per Semester \$ _____ (tuition only)
- Projected number of semesters required for graduation (undergraduate only) _____
(example: 8 for incoming freshmen, or 7 if you received college credit through AP or dual enrollment)
- Planned Major _____

*** Only UNDERGRADUATE applications will be considered, NO EXCEPTIONS**

Attach a copy of a letter from the Treatment Facility or your discharge papers indicating admission date and discharge date of an inpatient program.

Acceptable Programs: Psychiatric Hospital, Psychiatric Wing in Medical Hospital, Substance Abuse Program (specialty facility or wing) and Eating Disorder Unit/Facility - or similar.

WE DO NOT NEED YOUR FULL MEDICAL RECORDS.

*** All information will be kept confidential and will be shredded after application process is complete**

Facility Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Dates of Treatment (most recent): _____

Are you currently receiving outpatient services, therapy, and/or medication? **YES** **NO**

How often do you touch base with your support system? (AA, NA, counselor, support group?)

**Please note, this is an important piece in determining readiness and stability. The members of the selection committee are trained therapists/providers and educators.*

**Intensive Outpatient and Partial Hospitalization are not considered Inpatient -
NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Student Name:

Please attach two (2) letters of recommendation from any of the following:

Guidance Counselor, Teacher, School Administrator, Therapist/Psychiatrist/Psychologist,
Physician, Other Equally Qualified Person.

These can be mailed separately or included in your packet.

On a separate page describe your journey through substance abuse and/or mental illness.
How will this scholarship funding help you achieve your goals?

We will be looking for your Future Plans, Personal History of Treatment including your current protocol, Leadership Potential and Creativity, as well as Basic Mechanics. But mostly, we will be looking for passion and what makes you stand out. How are you #LivingYourNextChapter? Make sure to highlight any awards or special accomplishments.

Note: if you are applying for the Mary Cathryn White Memorial Scholarship (see last page), your topic is Fighting Forward.

Essays must not be longer than 3 pages, double spaced.

Mail completed applications to:

JC Runyon Foundation
8295 Tournament Drive, Suite 201
Memphis, Tennessee 38125

You may also email the completed application to

application@jcrunyonfoundation.org

Format standards: PDF Documents only. NO JPEGs will be accepted.
Documents can be sent through Google Docs, Drop Box (your invitation) or similar.

****Incomplete applications will not be considered****

Due March 1st, 2019 5:00 pm CST

Word of Advice - do NOT wait until the last minute to mail or email your application. If you send your application at 4:59 on March 1st, you are risking that it arrives late to the inbox.

We will not accept late submissions or additions after 5:00 CST! NO EXCEPTIONS!

Are you ready to #LiveYourNextChapter?





Application Checklist: www.jcrunyonfoundation.org

(DO NOT send this page)



1. Are the first two pages of the application completed? Is your email legible?
2. Have you contacted your school(s) for official transcripts? Schools usually send the transcripts directly to the requester (colleges, scholarships, etc). Do this early and double check to make sure it's done! If you are emailing, a scanned copy is fine, but we must have the original if you're selected to interview. It's ok if the envelope is open, just include it as well.
3. Have you asked your treatment facility for a letter of confirmation? You will have to sign a waiver. Double check with the facility to make sure it's done. They're very slow! **WE DO NOT NEED YOUR FULL MEDICAL RECORDS!** We will also accept your discharge paperwork that you received upon your discharge A photocopy of this is fine. This is the easiest way!
4. Have you asked your references to write you a letter of recommendation? You might want to give them a self addressed stamped envelope for their convenience. Double check to ensure it has been mailed. Remind them that if we do not receive this in time, your application will not be considered complete and will be ineligible for consideration.
5. Have you received your letter of acceptance from the college, trade school, or university that you plan to attend? A photo copy of the letter or email is acceptable. (Not necessary if you're already enrolled in college)
6. Have you written your essay? This is the hardest part, but it's the most important to us! 3 page double space limit. Be aware that yours will be among hundreds of others. Highlight your accomplishments! Check your spelling and grammar and make sure your name is on every page!

All items can be sent in one packet or mailed (emailed) individually. Please ensure that your first and last name is included on everything. If you choose to email your application, it must be in PDF. Do not send JPEG (or similar) of your application, It will not be accepted.

Are all these steps completed? Then you're ready to mail your packet. Please know that the post office can be very slow, so mail it in early to ensure that it arrives in time! You can also email the application, don't wait until the last minute. ***We must have the completed application in the office on March 1st by 5pm CST.*** Slow mail, or trouble with email can cause your application to be ineligible. Plan ahead, it's your responsibility to make sure it's in on time!

You will be notified once your application has been received via email. If you do not hear from us within a few weeks, either your email was incorrect, illegible, or it was not received. Follow up with an email just in case. Please note - emails from parents can be a red flag to us....we like to see that you are the responsible one, not your mother.

Good luck! If you have questions, email us at

ADMIN@JCRUNYONFOUNDATION.ORG

(NOTE THIS IS NOT THE SAME ADDRESS THAT YOU WILL SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION)



Mary Cathryn White

Memorial Scholarship

#FightForward and #LiveYourNextChapter

Send this page with your completed JC Runyon Foundation application if you meet the qualifications below:

Mary Cathryn (MC to her friends and family) was a bubbly, bright shining light in a lot of lives here in her hometown of Collierville, TN. A dear friend wrote that if others were water, MC would be carbonated. She was fizzy and funny and made everyone who knew her smile. She had a family who loved her fiercely and a network of dear friends. What could be better?

But MC had a very dark side that she hid from the world. She suffered from a deep depression that nobody really knew about until she attempted suicide for the first time in 2016. Her friends and family were in shock. How could this beautiful young woman, who looked like she had everything, want to die? She spend the next year fighting her way back into what many thought was a new beginning. She talked openly about her struggles, even writing a book entitled When God Showed Up and agreed to be interviewed a few times. The world, it appeared, was hers to own!

Unfortunately, the depression finally became something that she just could not overcome and we lost her on February 25, 2018. Ironically, the same day that we lost JC Runyon 11 years before. She left a wake of grief and sorrow that was hard to fathom. It is still hard to imagine this world without MC.

MC's parents want to make sure that the world understands and learns from her struggles. No parent should have to bury their child, ever. But when a child leaves this world by choice, it creates a chasm that cannot be filled with platitudes and casseroles. We need to shine a light into this darkness and let other young ladies, who like MC feel that there is no way out, know that there is hope and to keep #FightingForward.

MC was not someone who should be remembered for the way she died, but for how she lived, which is why the JC Runyon Foundation is honoring her memory. We want to help the young ladies in our region who are living with the same depression that MC had, but want to keep #FightingForward. Suicide is not the answer.

#FightForward and #LiveYourNextChapter.

The intent of the Mary Cathryn White Memorial Scholarship is to celebrate our girls who want to keep fighting. To help them #LiveTheNextChapter with other young ladies who are fighting the same fight, every single day.

_____ **Female**

_____ **Tennessee or Midsouth Resident (please include proof if not included in packet already) High School Transcripts (preferred), Copy of Utility Bill, or Rental/Lease/Mortgage Agreement (only 1 of these)**

_____ **Treated for Suicial Ideation/Attempt. This doesn't have to be the primary reason for your hospitalization, just a part of your journey. Essay Topic: Fighting Forward**