Agreement for the
Staff Congress Foundation/Marie Jones Textbook Scholarship

The **Staff Congress Foundation/Marie Jones Textbook Scholarship** was established at Murray State University by current and former Staff Congress members. The purpose of this renewable fund is to assist MSU staff members and their dependents with purchasing textbooks needed to pursue their degrees at MSU. Textbooks (up to the amount of $250) must be purchased from the Murray State University Store.

In return for establishing this fund, MSU and the MSU Foundation will

- Publish the name and guidelines for the scholarship on the website.
- Evaluate all applications based upon the following criteria:
  1. There may be two recipients of the scholarship per semester, based upon the applications submitted per semester. One recipient shall be a regular, part-time or full-time staff member of MSU who has been employed by the university for at least one year. The other recipient shall be a dependent of a regular, part-time or full-time MSU staff member of at least one year. If at any time there are no qualified applicants in one category, then two applicants may be selected from the same category.
  2. Recipients shall be pursing an Associate's Degree, Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree or Joint Doctoral Degree from MSU's main campus, one of the extended MSU campus sites, or through online programs administered by MSU.
  3. Dependents of MSU staff members who are current high school students, new incoming freshmen, or transfer students must meet the admission criteria set by Murray State University and have a high school cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
  4. Staff members who are classified as Non-degree, Re-admission, Bachelor of Integrated Studies, Post Baccalaureate or Other must meet the admission criteria set by Murray State University.
  5. Previous recipients of the scholarship may re-apply one year after receiving the award if they have maintained a GPA of 2.75 or higher.
  6. Recipients of the scholarship must obtain their textbooks through Murray State University's Store.
  7. Recipients shall be selected by the Staff Congress Scholarship Committee.
  8. Any member of the MSU Staff Congress Scholarship Committee who applies for this scholarship or whose dependent applies for this scholarship must remove himself or herself from the selection process.