2021 ALET Debbie Rice Memorial Scholarship

The Alabama Leaders in Educational Technology (ALET) organization invites graduating seniors to apply for its $10,000 2021 ALET Debbie Rice Memorial Scholarship. Applicants who meet the criteria below should read the guidelines carefully and follow the directions for submission. All applications must be received by mail and <u>must be postmarked by November 18, 2020</u>.

Criteria for Scholarship Applicant:

- The student must be a high school senior who is currently enrolled in an accredited Alabama high school.

- The technology director of the school system where the student is enrolled must be a current member of ALET as of October 1, 2020. A list of eligible systems is included for your reference.

- The applicant must have a minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher, using a 4.0 scale-unweighted.

- The applicant must have an ACT score of 17 or higher.

- Applicants must have the endorsement/signature of their Guidance Counselor/Principal on their application attesting they are qualified to apply for this scholarship.

- The student must plan to attend an accredited college, university, or technical school physically located in the state of Alabama. Full-time online colleges do not qualify.

- The student should demonstrate an interest in pursuing a degree in Computer Science, Information Technology, or a technology-related field.

- The student should be able to demonstrate a history of volunteering and be active in school or non-school extracurricular activities.

How to Apply:

- <u>Review the checklist of required materials in order to ensure that your application will be complete. Prepare all the necessary forms and documents and complete the checklist.</u>

- All application packets must be mailed via U.S. Post Office, or other carrier to ALET and must be *postmarked on or before November 18, 2020.*

- Unless otherwise indicated, all required materials, including letters of reference, must be in the submitted packet. The only exception is School Transcripts. The school may either email or mail the student's transcript separately but must do so by the November 18, 2020 deadline.

- *Incomplete packets will not be considered.* Applicants may <u>not</u> add materials to the packet once it is received. (Exception: The transcripts may be sent by the school after the application packet is received provided they are emailed or postmarked by November 18, 2020).

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What to Include in your Scholarship Application Packet:

- Application form, completed in full

- Signed Statement of Accuracy and Conditions
- Resume - See specific requirements in Checklist
- Essay - See specific requirements in Checklist
- Two letters of recommendation as to your character and your ability to meet your scholastic and community responsibilities.
    - Both letters must be signed by the author and must also include their printed name, phone number, mailing address, and email address.
    - One letter must be from the principal and/or counselor of the student's high school.
    - Letters may not be sent by email.
- Transcript from your high school

    - Transcripts must come from the student's school, but do not need to be official.
    - Transcripts may be included in the packet or be emailed directly from the school.
    - Transcripts *must be emailed or postmarked by the deadline of November 18, 2020*.

- Report Card from 1st grading period of this school year (copy is acceptable)
- ACT score report if it is not listed on school transcript
- Checklist page

Mail Application To:

> ALET Debbie Rice Memorial Scholarship
> 3066 Zelda Road Box 215
> Montgomery, AL 36106-2651

Questions: Email questions to: ALETscholarship@go-alet.org

Confirmation of Receipt:
We strongly suggest that when mailing the application package, the applicant get a tracking number so that they can be sure the package has been delivered.

Incomplete Application Packages:
It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure the application is complete and arrives on time. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Review Committee:
The applications will be reviewed, and the recipient of the scholarship will be selected by a committee of volunteers. *Following directions is important. For example, points may be deducted if you respond to the essay questions in the wrong order.*

Important Dates:
- Application and Transcript Deadline: November 18, 2020.
- Notification of Winner: January 2021
- Recipient may be invited to attend an ALET event where the scholarship will be presented.

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Eligible School Systems
DO NOT INCLUDE THIS IN YOUR APPLICATION - **For Reference Only.**

System	First Name	Last Name	Title
Alabaster City Schools	Anthony	Kingston	Coordinator of Technology
Alexander City Board of Education	Bradley	Strother	Director of Auxiliary Services
Anniston City Schools	Cindy	Swain	Technology Coordinator
Arab City Schools	Brian	Quillin	Technology Coordinator
Athens City Schools	Melanie	Barkley	Sec. Curr and Technology Coordinator
Attalla City Schools	Tim	Brothers	Technology Coordinator
Auburn City Schools	Gene	Gilmore	Director of Technology
Autauga County Board of Education	Felissa	Clemons	Coordinator of Operations
Baldwin County Schools	Homer	Coffman	Chief Technology Officer
Barbour County Schools	Clarence	Magee Jr.	Assistant Superintendent
Bessemer City Schools	Gary	Richardson	District Technology Coordinator
Bibb County Board of Education	Wesley	Lawley	Technology Coordinator
Birmingham City Schools	Joanne	Stephens	Director of Information Technology
Blount County Schools	Brian	Narrell	District Technology Coordinator
Boaz City Schools	Aaron	New	Technology Coordinator
Brewton City Schools	Bret	Dehoff	IT Director
Bullock County Schools	Herbert	McGowan	District Technology Instructor
Butler County Schools	Mathew	Shell	Technology Director
Calhoun County Board of Education	Lance	Driskell	Technology Director
Chambers County Schools	Michael	Sanders	Director of Technology
Cherokee County Schools	Cassandra	Lindsey	Technology Coordinator
Chickasaw City School System	Dafne	Stokes	District Technology Coordinator
Chilton County School District	Kim	Arrington	Technology Coordinator
Choctaw County	Regina	Davis	Technology Coordinator
Clay County Schools	Trey	Burroughs	Technology Coordinator
Cleburne County Schools	Corey	Cochran	Technology Coordinator
Coffee County Schools	Gray	Harrison	Technology Coordinator
Colbert County Schools	Louis	Delbert	Technology Coordinator
Conecuh County Board of Education	Scott	Luthardt	Technology Coordinator
Coosa County Schools	Kevin	Thompson	District Technology Coordinator
Crenshaw County Schools	Kevin	Messick	Technology Coordinator

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Cullman City Schools	Michael	Fowlkes	Technology Coordinator
Cullman County Schools	Bruce	Ellard	Technology Director
Dale County Schools	Juan	Cepero	Technology Coordinator
Dallas County Board of Education	Rick	Cortright	Technology Coordinator
Decatur City Schools	Emily	Elam	Technology Supervisor
DeKalb County Schools	Jimmy	Benefield	Technology Coordinator
Dothan City Schools	Jeremy	Green	Director of Technology Services
Elmore County Public Schools	Barbara	Burchard	Chief Technology Officer
Enterprise City Schools	Brad	Johnson	System Technologist
Escambia County Schools	Jamie	Burkett	Technology Coordinator
Etowah County Board of Education	Stacey	Gray	Technology Director
Fayette County Board of Education	Kim	Williams	Director of Curriculum and Technology
Florence City Schools	Christopher	Westbrook	Director of Instruction, Innovation & Technology
Fort Payne City Schools	Greg	Titshaw	Technology Coordinator
Franklin County Schools	Sandra	Guinn	Director of Technology
Gadsden City Schools	David	Asbury	Director of HR and Technology
Geneva County Schools	Josh	Howard	IT Coordinator
Greene County Board of Education	Rebecca	Coleman	Technology Coordinator
Gulf Shores City Schools	Joey	Drews	Director Of Educational Technology and Student Support Services
Guntersville City Schools	Sean	Holmes	Chief Technology Officer
Haleyville City Schools	William	Bishop	Director of Admin Services / Tech Coordinator
Hartselle City Schools	Tim	Southerland	Technology Coordinator
Henry County Schools	Geoff	Jones	IT Director
Homewood City Schools	Desiree	Smith	Technology Director
Hoover City Schools	Bryan	Phillips	Chief Technology Officer
Houston County Schools	Bob	Blalock	Technology Coordinator
Huntsville City Schools	Todd	Watkins	Director of Career Tech and IT
Jackson County Schools	Derek	Wright	Technology Coordinator
Jacksonville City Schools	Shawn	Hudgins	Director of Technology
Jasper City Schools	Susan	Chandler	Technology Coordinator
Jefferson County School District	Laura	Ware	Technology Director
Lamar County BOE	Darren	Gottwald	Technology Coordinator
Lanett City Schools	Whittany	Nolan	Technology Coordinator

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Lauderdale County Schools	Jason	Truett	Technology Coordinator
Lawrence County Schools	Larry	Smith	Technology Coordinator
Lee County Schools	Andrew	Click	Technology Director
Leeds City Schools	Andrew	Jackson	Supervisor of Instructional Technology
Limestone County Schools	Karen	Tucker	Dir of Technology
Linden City Schools	Brandon	Ellis	Technology Coordinator
Lowndes County Board of Education	Benitha D	Mathews	Director of Technology
Macon County Schools	John	Curry	Technology Director
Madison City Schools	Tommy	Paone	Coordinator of Technology Infrastructure
Madison County Schools	Mark	Wilson	Director of Information & Technology Services
Marengo County Schools	Kate	Huggins	Technology Coordinator
Marion County Board of Education	Chris	Brasher	Technology Coordinator
Marshall County Schools	Trent	Jordan	Director of Technology
Midfield City Schools	DevVon	Pettway	Technology Coordinator
Mobile County Public Schools	David	Akridge	Chief Information Officer
Monroe County Bd of Ed	Audra	Lloyd	Technology Director
Morgan County Schools	Lee	Willis	Deputy Superintendent
Mountain Brook Schools	Suzan	Brandt	Technology Coordinator
Muscle Shoals City Schools	Kevin	Stephenson	Technology Coordinator
Oneonta City Schools	Heidi	Chambers	District Technology Coordinator
Opelika City Schools	Stacy	Royster	District Technology Coordinator
Opp City Schools	Lance	McCollough	Technology & Transportation Coordinator
Oxford City Schools	Eric	Burrage	Director of Operations
Ozark City Schools	Wayne	Young	Technology Director
Pelham City Schools	Derrick	Waddell	Technology Coordinator
Pell City Schools	Matt	Black	Technology Coordinator
Perry County Board of Education	Verlander	Jones	District Technology Coordinator
Phenix City Schools	Jackie	Sanes	Director of Technology
Pickens County Board of Education	Sebastian	Shamery	Technology Coordinator
Piedmont City Schools	Matt	Glover	Technology Director
Pike County Schools	Stephanie	Snyder	Technology Coordinator
Pike Road City Schools	Ryan	Kendall	Technology Coordinator
Randolph County School System	Calan	Daniel	Technology Coordinator

Roanoke City Schools	Blake	Treadwell	Technology Director
Russell County Schools	Fabian	Bauerschmidt	Technology Director
Russellville City Schools	Joel	Andrews	District Technology Coordinator
Satsuma City Schools	Steve	Cochran	Technology Director
Scottsboro City Schools	Tony	LaRue	Technology Coordinator
Sheffield City School District	Brian	Craig	Chief Technology Officer
Shelby County Schools	Lauren	Woolley	Technology Coordinator
St Clair County Board of Education	Russ	Stewart	Technology Director
Sylacauaga City Board of Education	Michael	Robinson	Executive Director of Technology
Talladega City Schools	Matt	Fuller	IT Director
Talladega County Schools	Brooke	Morgan	Coordinator of Instructional Technology
Tallapoosa County Schools	Joel	Padgett	Technology Coordinator
Tallassee City Board of Education	Jim	Davis	Director of Technology
Tarrant City Schools	Deana	Goodwine	Technology Coordinator
Thomasville City Schools	Randall	Fullington	Technology Coordinator
Troy City Schools	Eujon	Anderson	Technology Director
Trussville City Schools	April	Chamberlain	Technology Coordinator
Tuscaloosa City Schools	Chris	Jenks	Director of Technology
Tuscaloosa County Board of Ed	Michael	Townsend	Director of Technology
Tuscumbia City Schools	Tommy	Milstead	Technology Coordinator
University Charter School	Greg	Hughey	Technology Coordinator
Vestavia Hills City Schools	Keith	Price	Director of Technology
Walker County Schools	Patrick	Gann	Technology Director
Washington County Board of Education	Jeff	Ford	District Technology Coordinator
Winfield City Board of Education	Chad	Beasley	Technology Coordinator

Complete the following 3 pages and include them with all requested materials in your Application Packet.

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ALET Use Only: _____

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT YOUR ANSWERS.		
First Name: _____	Last Name: _____	Middle Initial: _____

School System: _____ High School: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale- unweighted)

ACT Score: _____

Alabama College(s) you wish to attend:

College Major (ex. Computer Science, Engineering, etc.): _____

Student Home Mailing Address:

Student Phone Number: _____   Student Email: _____

Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address only if different than above.)

Name(s):

Street:

City: State: Zip:

Home/Cell phone of parents or legal guardians:

Work phone:

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Applicant Name: _____   **High School:** _____

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS and SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote the ALET's scholarship award. (Winner may waive the photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Scholarship Committee, I must be present at an ALET determined event to receive the scholarship award.

I understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Scholarship Committee, it is my responsibility to remit to ALET the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution of choice located in the state of Alabama.

I hereby affirm that I have not taken part in any activities of any nature which are in conflict or against the laws of the United States of America, or any of the several states or any political subdivisions thereof. Violation of this requirement may result in disqualification of the student for the scholarship and any remaining balances having been issued must be returned.

This $10,000 scholarship is contingent upon your acceptance and attendance at an Alabama college or university. If you should decide to attend a college outside of Alabama, you must notify us immediately as we would need to rescind the offer. ALET will release only as much of the award as is needed to pay your college costs. For instance, if you receive another scholarship and the two scholarships combined would exceed your needs for your freshman year, then we will defer the balance until your second year of school. The full amount should be expended within two academic years of the award. Any remaining balance will revert to ALET.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete application does not meet eligibility criteria and will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: _____   **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____   **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____   **Date:** _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY PRINCIPAL/GUIDANCE COUNSELOR and ALET Member:

Name of Principal/Guidance Counselor submitting the application: _____

High School/School District: _____

Contact information (email and phone): _____

Signature of Principal/Guidance Counselor: _____   **Date:** _____

Name of System Technology Director who is a Member of ALET: _____

Applicant Name: _____   **High School: _____**

Checklist
INCLUDE THIS PAGE IN YOUR APPLICATION

	Application with all questions answered.
	Statement of Accuracy/Conditions Signature Page. All information completed. All signatures completed.
	Resume' – 2-page limit. Include: ● Academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school ● List of hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities, and school related volunteer activities ● List of non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community and/or jobs
	Essay- Please answer these questions **in the order below** to receive full points. ● Describe a life experience that shaped who you are today. ● Describe your academic and career goals and your plans to achieve them. ● How did you choose this career path? ● Explain why technology is an important component of this career. (500 word maximum. Must be typed, and use the following formatting- Double spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font, One-inch top, bottom, and side margins.)
	2 Letters of Recommendation – signed with contact information. One of these must be from the principal or counselor. Emails or email attachments will not be accepted.
	High School Transcripts through 2019-2020 school year. Transcripts must come from the student's school, but do not need to be official. Indicate delivery method: ___ Transcript included in this packet. ___ Transcript being emailed by school prior to 11/18/2020. Name of counselor/registrar who will email transcript: _____
	Report Card from 1st grading period of <u>this</u> school year. Indicate delivery method: ___ Report card grades are on my transcript. (Be sure to confirm w/registrar or counselor) ___ Copy of report card included in this packet.
	ACT Report. Indicate delivery method: ___ ACT score report included in this packet. ___ My school will email my ACT report prior to November 18th.