

## **THE FRANK THOMSON SCHOLARSHIP or THE WOMEN'S AID SCHOLARSHIP**

The Frank Thomson Scholarships were established as a memorial to Frank Thomson, a former President of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, by his children. Mr. Thomson had a lifelong interest in the education of the youth of his fellow employees. He devoted himself to helping them obtain an education. In addition, a number of Women's Aid Scholarships are offered annually to provide assistance toward tuition and additional necessary expenses for undergraduate study at generally recognized and accepted colleges and universities. Deadline for completed applications, test results, and all other information required is April 1, each year.

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

Eligible persons are children of active, retired or deceased employees of:

- (a) Conrail, or
- (b) The Penn Central Corp. or Amtrak, who were employed by Penn Central Transportation Company or the Pennsylvania Railroad Company before April 1, 1976; or
- (c) National Passenger Railroad Corporation who were employed by the The Penn Central Transportation Company or the Pennsylvania Railroad Company before April 1, 1976; or
- (d) Norfolk Southern Corporation who were employed by Conrail prior To June 10, 1997; or
- (e) CSX who were employed by Conrail prior to June 10, 1997.

In order to be eligible, any such person must be a graduate of high school, or a high school senior to be graduated in June or January of the current school year, and must have taken the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT). **Applicants must be either prospective college freshman or currently enrolled in an undergraduate course of study.**

### **THE SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Each year the Trustee will make available, for scholarships, the funds necessary to assure the payment of any scholarships awarded by the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Scholarships may be awarded for up to four years and for varying amounts, as determined by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Such awards may be adjusted annually in accordance with the Scholarship Selection Committee's decision as to change in financial need of the student.

Prior to May 31 each year, scholarship holders must submit, to the Trustee, a request for renewal of the award for the next academic year. The scholarship holder's academic progress and financial needs will be considered in connection with the request for renewal.

### **HOW ARE WINNERS SELECTED?**

The winners of the Frank Thomson or The Women's Aid Scholarships will be selected on the basis of their academic records, college entrance examination board scores, current college transcripts (if applicable), financial need, and overall worthiness. The selections will be made by an independent Scholarship Selection Committee composed of several outstanding educators. No official or employee of CONRAIL or the Trustee will be involved in any manner in the selection process.

## **HOW TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP:**

### **An applicant for a Frank Thomson or a Women's Aid Scholarship must:**

1. Take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT).
2. Instruct that the above scores be reported to the Chairman/Selection Committee, Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship Program. This is accomplished by indicating **Code 0048** or **Code 0403** respectively in the appropriate place on the test registration.
3. Applicants must submit the Financial Aid Application for the Frank Thomson and The Women's Aid Scholarship. (Application is included in the mailing packet).
4. Prior to April 1, mail the following to the Chairman/Selection Committee at the address listed below:
  - (a) Completed Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship Application Form
  - (b) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT) scores, if not reported directly to Code 0048 or Code 0403 as described in Paragraph 2 above
  - (c) Financial Aid Application for the Frank Thomson and The Women's Aid Application
  - (d) Copy of your parent's current IRS 1040 (pages 1 and 2, and, if applicable, Schedules A, C, and E) and a copy of the W-2's.
  - (e) Copy of your high school transcript if a senior in high school or a copy of your college transcript.

**(Students who are in their freshman year of college at the time of application must submit both a copy of their high school transcript and a copy of their college transcript).** Also, information and application forms may be obtained by written request to:

**Chairman/Selection Committee  
Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship Program  
P.O. Box 95  
Broomall, PA 19008**

Human Resources Department  
Form #6

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
FRANK THOMSON SCHOLARSHIP  
WOMEN'S AID SCHOLARSHIP**

**Please type or print legibly**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's Last Name) (First) (Middle)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Home Telephone (Inc. Area Code) (Date of Birth) (Social Security No.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
University/College Applicant Proposed Entering or Currently Attending:

If presently attending a college/university please indicate what year you are entering: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Grad: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

My educational and career goals are: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Conrail (**former Conrail**) Parent's Name (Last) (First) (Middle)

Conrail Employee Number \_\_\_\_\_ S.S. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Entered Service Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Parents living? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If parent no longer with Conrail, last date of service w/Conrail or Predecessor RR \_\_\_\_\_

If retired or deceased, parent was a \_\_\_\_\_ employee at the time of death or retirement.  
(Railroad Company)

Parent receiving disability annuity? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Current Job Title) (Date Entered Service)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Location of Employment (City/State): (Work Telephone No.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Department) (Division)

I hereby apply to the Chairman, Selection Committee of the Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship for a scholarship for the period of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. If selected, I agree to abide by all rules and regulations with respect to the Scholarship Fund, my Institution, and those of the Trustees.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: **Conrail Scholarship Committee  
Chairman, Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Selection Committee  
P.O. Box 95  
Broomall, PA 19008**

# Financial Aid Application

## Frank Thomson and Women's Aid Scholarships

Name \_\_\_\_\_

List all those in your household dependent upon (i.e. supported by) your parents in the current school year.<sup>1</sup> Include yourself, your parent(s) (or your custodial parent if your parents are divorced/separated), your (step) brothers and (step) sisters, and other relatives.

Name	Age	Check if living with family	Name of Present School or College <i>(Current school year)</i>	Year in School/College <i>(Current school year)</i>	Tuition and Fees <i>(Current school year)</i>	Room and Board <i>(Current school year)</i>	Scholarship or Gift aid <i>(Current school year)</i>	Parental Contribution to Educational Expenses <i>(Current school year)</i>	Name of School/College to be Attended <i>(Upcoming school year)<sup>2</sup></i>	Type of school or college <i>(Upcoming school year)</i> 1= Public School 2= Private School 3= College 4= Grad/Pref	Check if full Time
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2.											
3.											
4.											
5.											
6.											
7.											
8.											

Amount of Parents' Bank Accounts and Investments                   \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Value of Parents' Real Estate (other than primary residence)   \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Debt on Parents' Real Estate (other than primary residence)   \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Applicant's Bank Accounts and Investments           \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return this application, along with copies of your parents' most recent US tax return (pp. 1 and 2, and, if applicable Schedules A, C, and E) and W-2's.

You may use the reverse side to clarify any aspect of your family's financial circumstances that you feel should be brought to our attention.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> Current school year for High School students is from September to June, (i.e. 2010-2011).  
<sup>2</sup> Upcoming school year for College students is from August to May (i.e. 2011-2012 ).