Basler Incentive Scholarship

What is the Wayne G. Basler Incentive Scholarship at ETSU?
The Wayne G. Basler Incentive Scholarship was established in 1992 by a long-time friend of the university, Mr. Wayne G. Basler. The merit-based scholarship is specifically designed for students who have a declared academic major in the Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying and Digital Media.

Who is eligible for the Basler Scholarship?
The major intent of the scholarship is to reward an entering freshman of any age who can (1) demonstrate the desire, determination, and motivation to set and complete personal goals, and (2) have a defined need for the scholarship. In addition, students must meet the following criteria:

- Be an incoming freshman accepted for full-time enrollment in an academic major in the Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying, and Digital Media at East Tennessee State University.
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- Be a current full-time student in an academic major in the Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying, and Digital Media at East Tennessee State University who has completed no more than 19 credit hours by the application deadline.
- Be a U.S. citizen or have permanent resident status.
- Submit a written application by the deadline and be available if called for an interview.

How much is the scholarship worth?
The Basler Incentive Scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance to the student for four years of undergraduate education. As a means of providing incentive to the student, the scholarship amount will increase annually according to the scale below. The scholarship amounts are as follows:

- First year $2000 ($1000 per semester)
- Second year $2500 ($1250 per semester)
- Third year $3500 ($1750 per semester)
- Fourth year $5000 ($2500 per semester)

What are the requirements for continuation of the scholarship?
In order to be eligible for continuation, the student must: 1) complete a minimum of 12 hours per semester in a B.S. program in Engineering Technology, 2) maintain a minimum academic standing (GPA 3.0) per semester, and (3) continue as a major in the Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying and Digital Media. (Failure to meet any of these requirements will result in loss of the scholarship.) A check for one-half the scholarship will be issued to the student at the beginning of fall and spring semesters.
How do I apply and when is the deadline?
Interested students may obtain an application packet by calling 423. 439.7813 or emailing Jessica Brumit (brumit@etsu.edu). Completed packets must be received and postmarked by March 31. Mail to Jessica Brumit, ETSU Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying and Digital Media, PO Box 70552, Johnson City TN 37614-1707, or bring to Room 213, Wilson Wallis Hall by March 31.

What do I need to submit with my application?
A high school transcript, college transcript (if applicable), letters of support from three persons (such as a teacher, guidance counselor, or employer) attesting to your desire and motivation to accomplish personal goals, and a written essay of 300-500 words in which you describe the importance of achieving a university education as it relates to your personal goals and state your defined need for the scholarship.

How is the winner decided?
A selection committee comprised of three faculty members from the Department of Engineering Technology, Surveying and Digital Media, two area industry representatives, and Mr. Basler or his representative, will be responsible for reviewing the applications, conducting personal interviews with selected applicants, and making the final selection.

When will I receive notification?
Notification of the award will be made by April 30.