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## **CHURCH'S CHICKEN® TAKES A BITE OUT OF COLLEGE COSTS WITH \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS**

*Students in participating states may apply by February 27, 2015*

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ATLANTA, GA – *Church's Chicken*® is currently offering 175 high-school seniors— and their parents— the chance to take some of the heat out of the cost of college tuition. From now through February 27, 2015, students in qualifying states may apply for a \$1,000 scholarship from the *Church's*® **Scholars Program**, a program of Church's Partners Foundation.

The \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to 175 high school seniors in the following participating states: Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Mexico, Nevada, Oklahoma, Tennessee, or Texas. The scholarship fund, which has more than tripled since its launch last year, seeks to help students in the communities in which *Church's Chicken*® serves by providing life-changing opportunities to residents, particularly for students' higher education.

"We're so pleased that we have been able to grow the *Church's*® **Scholars Program** to provide significantly more opportunities to students this year," said Tony Lutfi, *Church's Chicken*® franchisee and board member of the Church's Partners Foundation. "For families, the \$1,000 scholarship really helps with the rising cost of higher education and will encourage the recipients to continue pursuing their dreams."

### **How to Apply**

Students may apply now through February 27, 2015 by visiting [www.scholarsapply.org/churchsscholars](http://www.scholarsapply.org/churchsscholars) or through the Church's Partners Foundation website at [www.churchspartners.org](http://www.churchspartners.org). Applicants must be high school seniors who plan to attend an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational/trade school in the United States during the 2015-2016 academic year. Applicants must also be legal U.S. residents and reside in one of the participating states. Final materials must be postmarked by March 1, 2015. Scholarship award recipients will be notified in May 2015.

Funds for the *Church's*® **Scholars Program** were raised through the sale of *Church's*® coupon booklets at participating company and franchisee restaurants. The coupon booklets featured \$15 in savings and were sold for \$1 in November and December 2014. Additional program funding was generously donated by *Church's*® employees and vendors.



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For more information, visit [www.churchspartners.org](http://www.churchspartners.org).

### **About Church's Partners Foundation**

Founded in Atlanta, GA in 2007, the Church's Partners Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Its mission is to provide support and assistance to the employees and franchisees of *Church's Chicken*<sup>®</sup> and *Texas Chicken*<sup>®</sup>, their families and the communities in which they live. Programs include the *Church's*<sup>®</sup> **Scholars Program**, which provides \$1,000 scholarships to eligible applicants. For more information, visit [www.churchspartners.org](http://www.churchspartners.org) or [www.scholarsapply.org/churchsscholars](http://www.scholarsapply.org/churchsscholars).

### **About Church's Chicken**<sup>®</sup>

Founded in San Antonio, TX in 1952 by George W. Church, *Church's Chicken*<sup>®</sup> is one of the largest quick service restaurant chicken chains in the world. *Church's*<sup>®</sup> specializes in Original and Spicy Chicken freshly prepared in small batches throughout the day that are hand-battered and double-breaded, *Tender Strips*<sup>®</sup>, sandwiches, honey-butter biscuits made from scratch and freshly baked, and classic, homestyle sides all for a great value. *Church's*<sup>®</sup> has more than 1,650 locations in 23 countries and international territories with system-wide sales of more than \$1 billion. For more information, visit [www.churchs.com](http://www.churchs.com). Follow *Church's*<sup>®</sup> on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/churchschicken](http://www.facebook.com/churchschicken) and Twitter at [www.twitter.com/churchschicken](http://www.twitter.com/churchschicken).

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