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Scholarship Stipulations

Western Colorado Community Foundation

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The *Western Colorado Community Foundation* (WCCF) exists to promote charitable giving, to build and manage charitable endowment funds, and to provide grants, scholarships, and other resources to benefit the residents and communities of Western Colorado. The foundation is regional and serves the counties of Mesa, Garfield, Eagle, Rio Blanco, Delta, Montrose, Gunnison and Ouray counties.

BASIS of Selection

WCCF donors' interests and preferences drive the application process. Scholarships are granted for use at accredited colleges, universities, and vocational schools.

Faye Shofner Tally Memorial Scholarship: Eagle or Mesa County graduating high school senior, working toward a 4-year degree, and who (1) demonstrates academic excellence and (2) need financial support to pursue their educational goals. As long as students maintain enrollment with a satisfactory G.P.A., the scholarship will be renewable for 4 years. Up to five scholarships (\$1,000 to \$5,000). **Deadline: April 1, 2008**

Fruita Rotary Club Scholarship: One student graduating from Fruita Monument high school and involved in Interact (Interact is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young people ages 14-18. The program gives young people an opportunity to participate in fun, meaningful service projects while developing leadership skills and meeting new friends.) Two scholarships, \$1,000 each, non-renewable. **Deadline: April 1, 2008**

Kay Armstrong Memorial Scholarship: Delta County graduating high school seniors who have been active in community service and who are successful scholastically are eligible to apply. Five scholarships are given yearly and are renewable for 4 years. One of the candidates chosen must be an aspiring teacher. The 2008 amount is \$1,000. **Deadline: April 1, 2008**

Steward/Watson/Wheeler Scholarship: Delta County School District and Mancos School District graduating seniors with B+ average may apply. Those applying need to have a desire to better themselves, improve knowledge, learn a trade or profession, and provide for self and/or family. Students applying need to plan for enrollment in a public institution and not qualify for Pell grants and/or other federal or state assistance. Nine \$1,000 available, non-renewable. **Deadline: April 1, 2008**

Read these instructions carefully and thoroughly

1. Application Form

Application must be complete to be considered. Attach additional pages if necessary.

2. Letters of Reference

Provide two letters of reference only.

- One letter from a teacher or academic advisor.
- One letter from a work or volunteer supervisor, a leader, or personal acquaintance.

Letters from teachers, advisors and employers must be on school or company letterhead. All letters must be signed and **dated**. Photocopies are acceptable. Letters may be sealed in their own envelopes.

3. Transcripts of Grades

All applications must include an **official** high school transcript. If you have taken college courses, an official college transcript must also be included for all work included. Photocopies and copies from the Internet are **NOT** acceptable. Please note that current work completed is what needs to be included. It is understood that the current semester in which you are applying will not be included.

4. Signed and Dated Personal Statement (ESSAY)

Include a typed statement of at least 2-3 pages, double-spaced. In the statement, you should:

- Describe why you want to go to college and three personal attributes you think will help you succeed in college.
- Describe your long-range goals and how furthering your education will assist you in reaching those goals.
- Comment on an accomplishment of which you are proud or activities in which you have been involved.
- Reflect upon any challenges you have faced and how you responded to them.
- Reflect on how you plan to give back to others and to your community after you have completed your education. You may also describe your current endeavors of giving to others and the community.
- PLEASE include any other information required for the scholarship for which you are applying (community service work, residency, degree that you plan to pursue, etc.)

5. Financial Need

Evidence of family and/or personal income must be submitted with the application packet

- Enclose the first two pages of your parents or guardians' most recent IRS Form 1040 (as well as your own if you have filed a 1040).

6. Copies

You **must submit one complete copy** of all required materials **for each scholarship** for which you are applying. (It is recommended that you keep a copy of the completed application for your files.)

7. Interview

Applicants may be interviewed.

Additional Requirements

8. Refer to each scholarship description for **additional required materials**.

**Western Colorado Community Foundation
Common Application Form**

Check the scholarship/s for which you are applying; PLEASE review page 2 carefully, to make sure that you are eligible to apply for the scholarship(s) you have marked. If you are applying for more than one of the scholarships, mark this section **LAST** – separate completed copies must be submitted for each scholarship - (FILL everything in except checking the box, copy the number of completed applications that you need, then check the appropriate box.)

- Kay Armstrong
- Fruita Rotary Club
- Steward/Watson/Wheeler

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Permanent Address: _____
Street

City State Zip Code

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

EDUCATION

High School Name and City: _____

Graduation Date ____/____/____

SAT I Scores: _____ ACT Score: _____
(If applicable) (If applicable)

Educational Institution you attend or plan to attend in fall 2006:

1) _____
First Choice-Name

Have you been accepted at your first choice? Yes No If no, when do you expect to be notified?
____/____/____

Applicant Name _____

2) _____
Second Choice-Name

Have you been accepted at your second choice? Yes No If no, when do you expect to be notified?
_____/_____/_____

Intended major(s): _____

Intended minor(s): _____

Will you be attending college full-time? Yes No If no, please explain _____

Where do you plan to live next year? On-campus Off-campus With parent(s) other.

What career(s) are you considering? _____

What factors determined your choice of college? _____

What do you consider your academic strengths? _____

AWARDS AND HONORS

List awards and honors you have received and briefly explain their significance. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Award/Honor	Significance	Date Received

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

Please list school-related activities in which you have participated. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Activity	Honors and/or Positions Held	Dates of Involvement	Hours per Month

Applicant Name _____

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list the principal community activities in which you have been involved. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Activity	Honors and/or Positions Held	Dates of Involvement	Hours per Month

EMPLOYMENT

Beginning with your present or most recent job, list your employment history.

Employer	Position	Dates of Employment	Hours per Week

To what use have you put your earnings?

HOUSEHOLD/ FINANCIAL INFORMATION

It is strongly recommended that you fill out this section with a parent(s)/ guardian(s) if you are a dependent. Round all figures to the nearest dollar; do not enter cent amounts. Use the most recent income tax information or estimated current year values. Do not leave lines blank.

Name of parent(s) or guardian(s) with whom you reside:

Applicant Name _____

\$	Cost of attendance for one year (including tuition, fees, room & board, transportation, etc.) at college of choice (If you do not yet know the college you will be attending, please estimate)
\$	Head(s) of household's total gross income
\$	Head(s) of household's total cash assets (cash, checking/savings account, stocks, home equity)
\$	Student's income (if not head of household)
\$	Student's total cash assets (if not head of household)
\$	Number in household your parent(s)/guardian(s) currently supports financially (including applicant)
\$	Number in household in a college degree/certificate program in 2006-2008 (including applicant)

Please list any Grants/Scholarships already received for upcoming academic year:

Please describe any special circumstance that may affect your family's ability to pay for college (medical, divorce, unemployment, child support, other):

REQUIRED SIGNATURES:

All of the information I have provided in this application is accurate and is subject to verification by scholarship provider at its discretion.

Student: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: ____/____/____

I have read the scholarship descriptions on page 1, and I am ELIGIBLE to apply for the scholarship I marked. I have included a separate completed application form for each of the scholarships for which I want to be considered.

Did you remember to...

- ___ mark a check in the by the scholarship for which you are applying? (Each checked scholarship application must have a separate completed application form)
- ___ complete and sign the enclosed application form/s?
- ___ include 2 letters of reference?
- ___ include an OFFICIAL copy of the required transcripts?
- ___ include a SIGNED and DATED personal statement?
- ___ include financial statements (parent/guardian and yours (if you file) IRS 1040)?
- ___ remove staples from the application and keep the instructional part and only submit the completed application?
Pages 3-6 ONLY.
- ___ submit one complete copy of all required materials for each scholarship?
- ___ make a copy of your completed application for your file?

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU PLAN ON APPLYING FOR MORE THAN ONE SCHOLARSHIP –

ONE ORIGINAL APPLICATION FORM MAY BE COMPLETED WITHOUT CHECKING THE FOR A SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP. MAKE THE NECESSARY COPIES (# OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU PLAN TO APPLY). MARK THE APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP AND THEN MAIL YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION(S) WITH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO:

**Western Colorado Community Foundation
Scholarship Application
PO Box 4334
Grand Junction, CO 81502**

Applicants being considered for scholarships will be notified by phone. Those who are not will be notified by mail.