

USD 263 Scholarship Application

This scholarship is sponsored by the entire faculty and staff of USD #263. It is based on two founding tenets: personal integrity and financial need. Scholarships are awarded to students who fit these categories:

1. Personal integrity

The committee will evaluate each student based on the idea that he/she not only follows a code of ethics that includes honesty, compassion, citizenship, and trustworthiness, but also promotes it.

2. Financial Need

The committee will also take into consideration the financial need of each student pursuing a higher education degree. This would include noting other scholarships the student may have already earned; the ability of receiving assistance from other sources; or parental finances that might not qualify him/her for certain financial aid in the form of loans or grants.

The committee is comprised of staff members from each building, including Mulvane High School. Committee members will seek input from other teachers to verify that their personal observations of each applicant are consistent with others' observations. The intent of the scholarship is to recognize students who fall into the following categories:

- Students who are involved in his or her education and represent the school with integrity both in and out of the classroom.
- Students who are interested in all types of higher learning including college, trade, and technical schools. Grade point averages are considered because they do reflect on the possibility of success in institutions of higher learning, however, they are not the only factor to consider.
- Students who need to work during the week to pay for most of their own expenses due to a variety of family situations, and as such, their involvement in school activities is limited. This is with the understanding that many of these students would be more involved if not for their situation outside of school.
- Students who volunteer and serve both the school and community in a variety of ways (however this factor is evaluated against the student's ability to do volunteer work).

If you believe you fit this description, then please complete the application form attached and return it to Mr. Myers or Mrs. Jansen by **3:15 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017**. No late applications will be accepted.

Name: _____

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Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Responses should fit on this page in the space provided for each question and be written in blue or black ink. Remember that the main criteria for this scholarship includes personal integrity and character as well as financial need.

A cover letter with a completed, attached application form must be returned to Mr. Myers or Mrs. Jansen by 3:15 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017. No late applications will be accepted.

1. What has been one of the most valuable lessons you have learned as a student in USD 263?

2. What are your educational plans after graduation and how will they be financed?

3. As you pursue this advanced level of education, for what expenses will you personally be responsible?

4. Please list the high school clubs and organizations to which you belong or have belonged and any offices you now hold and/or have previously held.

5. Please list the volunteer work you have performed in the last four years.

6. Do you have a job? If so, where and in what position? How many hours a week do you spend working at this job?

7. In the space provided below explain why you feel it is important to pursue an advanced level of education.