

Estes Park Western Heritage Foundation, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: CRITERIA AND APPLICATION

The Scholarship fund supports the Foundations charity purpose by providing students with funds to alleviate the financial burden of a college education. It also supports the educational purpose of the Foundation by helping students study areas that will enhance their capability to preserve and/or promote the Western way of life.

Scholarships are available to two types of students: First, to graduating high school seniors who are enrolled in a trade school, junior college, college, or university and have demonstrated, through community volunteer involvement, an appreciation for the Western heritage of the Estes Valley. Secondly, to students who are attending an institution of higher learning and are majoring in a subject that can be related to the preservation and/or promotion of the West (exp. Art and Art History, Agribusiness, Education, Museum Management, etc.)

The purpose of these scholarships, at the High School, level are to recognize the community minded efforts of individuals and/or to provide tuition support to students in financial need. At the higher education level the grants are used to defray the cost of tuition. In both instances the scholarships are normally for \$1-2,000. The number of scholarships and amount of each scholarship are determined by the funds available to the Foundation. The Scholarship program is funded through fundraising activities and funds donated to the Foundation for that restricted purpose.

Scholarship funds are given directly to institutions of higher learning and not directly to students. Officers and Directors of the Foundation and their immediate family are not eligible to receive scholarship grants.

The following criteria will be used:

- 📌 Exceptional service that reflects the mission of the Estes Park Western Heritage Foundation.
- 📌 Acceptance to an accredited institution of higher education or an accredited trade school.

Complete applications must be submitted no later than March 15th of the applicant's senior academic year. The application process may include an interview with one or more members of the selection committee. Applications will be processed and applicants notified of their status within two months. Funding will be dispersed directly to the institution at which the recipient has been accepted and enrolled.

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Eligibility Requirements

All applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria.

Each applicant or recipient:

1. Must have fulfilled or be currently fulfilling high school graduation requirements
2. Must attend either a technical, 2-year or 4-year accredited educational institution
3. Must complete the scholarship program application in its entirety and submit it on or before the stated deadline.

Application Instructions

1. Scholarship deadline: March 15
2. Refer to page four (4) of this application for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference, etc.) Incomplete applications will be returned.
3. If any question does not apply to you, please put N/A in the space.
4. Submit a typed application and a 500 word essay.
5. Include two letters of reference written by an individual who is not related to you.
6. You will be notified by mail regarding the status of your application.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please contact the EPWH Scholarship chairperson.

Application

Please type your answers. If application is illegible it will be returned to you.

Last Name: _____	First Name: _____	Middle Name _____
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Mailing Address::

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Daytime Telephone Number: ()

Date of Birth: Month Day Year

Name of High School: _____

School Address: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ **(On a 4.0 scale)**

Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent official school transcript required.

High school counselor signature (if applicable)

date

Academic honors, awards, school, community service and/or organizational activities

Name & address: Use reverse side of application if you need more space.

Name (s) _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: ____ ZIP: _____

Home phone of parents or legal guardians (if under the age of 18):

Phone

Address

List the names of two additional references
(excluding the individual who wrote your
reference letters)

A.

B.

What specialty/major do you plan to pursue as you continue your education?

Essay Question: Please type your response to the following question and attach to your applications (500 words).

The mission of the Estes Park Western Heritage Foundation, Inc. is “to support educational initiatives that preserve and/or promote Western heritage in the Estes Valley.” What have you done that supports the mission of the EPWHF? Describe what you intend to study and how that might contribute to our community and its Western heritage.

A. The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee.

Two letters of reference. Return reference letters in a sealed envelope from your professors, academic advisor, teacher, counselor, or community leader who can attest to your academic, social, or personal attributes.

Official high school or college transcript

Typed 500 word essay

One 3" x 5" or "4x6" color photograph of the applicant

B. Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached to this application.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Estes Park Western Heritage Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____

Date: _____

Mail application and attachments to:

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