

Guidelines For the Jefferson Sportsmen's Club Scholarship

Purpose

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school student who wishes to further his or her education in the field of conservation, environmental sciences, natural resources or a related field of study. Applicant must have demonstrated an appreciation and concern for our natural resources and have an interest in environmental issues, ecology or conservation.

Award amount and source of funds

The Jefferson Sportsmen's Club funds this scholarship. We are a non-profit club, with members from the area, which maintains and operates a clubhouse and grounds to provide sportsmen throughout the area with a place to enjoy shotgun shooting sports and related activities. Club members pay their dues on a yearly basis. We support many other conservation groups with donations in the surrounding area along with this scholarship. The donor on a yearly basis will determine the amount of this scholarship and the number of scholarships given. The scholarship will range from 500.00 to 1,000.00 dollars.

Criteria:

1. The recipient should be a member or the son/ daughter of a member of the Jefferson Sportsmen's Club. If not a member, then a resident of Jefferson County graduating from a Jefferson county high school. And/ or
2. The recipient will be accepted and enrolled in an accredited college or technical school with an emphasis on natural resources, environmental sciences or conservation field preferred. And/ or
3. The recipient will have maintained a GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 point scale) throughout his/ her 4-year secondary education. And/ or
4. The recipient will have displayed high moral character. Extra curricular activities, work experience and community involvement will be considered but not be the determining factor.

Requirements:

1. A written essay as to why you should be considered for this scholarship, including an overview of extra-curricular activities and community service.
2. Copy of grade transcripts.
3. Provide two letters of reference. One should be from a teacher or coach, and another from a member of the community who is not a relative of the applicant.

Completion Deadline

The scholarship application must be completed and returned to the high school counseling office on or before the deadline established by each Jefferson county high school or March 1st, whichever comes first. Members and other applicants may also pick up an application at the Jefferson Sportsman's Club to have completed and returned to Jefferson Sportsmen's Club no later than March 1st.

Selection

1. The selection committee shall be composed of the Jefferson Sportsmen's Club scholarship committee.
2. The scholarship will be paid directly to the college, university or technical school upon verification of enrollment and completion of the first semester.
3. The students academic record plus indication of potential success from letters of reference could be important considerations in selection.
4. The committee reserves the right to reject any or all of the applications for this scholarship.
5. The scholarship committee may recommend that no awards be given in a year no qualified applicants apply.

Awarding the Scholarship

The recipient will be announced at the schools Scholastic Awards Assembly held at the end of the scholastic year. Award will be paid directly to the financial aid office of the college, university, or technical school the applicant is attending at the completion of the first semester. Proof of attendance for the first semester will be required.

In the event the recipient of the scholarship does not attend the school of their choice, another applicant may be awarded the scholarship and the appropriate recognition. If the Jefferson Sportsmen's Club decides there was not another qualified applicant, then the trustees will return the monies to the principal account involved.

Jefferson Sportsmen's Club
P.O. Box 104
N5328 Christberg Road Jefferson, WI 53549
(920) 699-3968