

Whatcom County Youth Fair Scholarships

Applications must be postmarked on or before March 15 of current year.

The Whatcom County Youth Fair is proud to offer scholarships honoring remarkable individuals whose dedication and passion greatly shaped the fair's history.

Chris Paul and Ellen Courtney were among the founding members of the Youth Fair whose vision and commitment helped establish the fair's strong foundation.

Jay Paul, the son of Chris and Lonnie Paul, was an active participant in the fair and a beloved member of the lawn mower division. His life was tragically cut short in a tractor accident, but his enthusiasm and spirit continue to inspire youth and volunteers alike.

Through these scholarships, we honor Chris, Ellen, and Jay and express our gratitude to the community whose ongoing support keeps their legacy alive.

Award Amount:

The scholarship(s) amounts vary by scholarship and may be given to one or more applicants. Funds will be released upon submission of proof of enrollment and official transcript. Chris Paul Memorial awards-up to \$1,000 annually & Ellen Courtney memorial awards - up to \$500 annually. Jay Paul memorial award - up to \$500 annually.

Selection Criteria:

- Active participation in the Whatcom County Youth Fair
- Demonstrated leadership and citizenship in school, 4H/FFA and community
- Scholastic excellence

Award Notification & Disbursement: Scholarship winners will be notified at Youth Fair. Recipients must submit proof of college enrollment and an official transcript after their first grading period to receive the scholarship funds.

Application Procedure:

1. Part A - Complete the application in detail and submit it along with:
2. Part B - Personal statement. What are your future goals and how do you plan to impact your community? (typed, up to 500 words)
3. Part C - Two letters of recommendation - written and signed by a school staff member, community mentor/coaches/advisor/supervisor
4. Applicant may be contacted for an interview

Mail applications to:

Whatcom County Youth Fair
Grant & Scholarship Committee
PO BOX 2811
Ferndale, WA 98248



Eligibility:

These scholarships are open to:

- Chris Paul & Ellen Courtney Memorial Awards: Any graduating high school senior who has participated in the Whatcom County Youth Fair and is continuing their education in any field of study at an accredited college, university, or technical school.
- Jay Paul Memorial Award: Any graduating high school senior who has participated in Whatcom County Youth Fair. Preference will be given to applicants planning to enroll in an accredited 2-year trade/technical program (Vet Tech, Welding, Mechanic, Dental Asst)
- Preference for all awards will be given to applicants who have participated in Youth Fair for two or more years.

Whatcom County Youth Fair Scholarship Application

PART A:

NAME :

ADDRESS :

PHONE NO :

EMAIL:

After carefully reviewing the requirements for each scholarship, I am applying for the following scholarships:

- Jay Paul Memorial Scholarship
- Ellen Courtney Memorial Scholarship
- Chris Paul Memorial Scholarship

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL:

GPA:

NAME OF COLLEGE YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

Intended MAJOR: _____

4-H & FFA Involvement (if applicable):

4-H Club Name: _____ # of years enrolled _____

FFA Chapter Name: _____ # of years enrolled _____

Projects, CDE/LDEs Participated In:

Offices, Awards, or Special Honors:

Youth Fair Involvement:

How many years have you participated in the Youth Fair? _____

List Division(s) you participated in:

Briefly describe how you have benefited from Youth Fair? Include your favorite Youth Fair memory.

School, Community Involvement:

List school, community, church, sports activities (not listed previously)

Education & Goals:

Why did you choose your field of study?

Application Checklist:

- Part A: Completed Application & Required Signatures
- Part B: Personal Statement. (Up to 500 words) What are your future goals and how do you plan to impact your community?
- Part C: Attach Two Letters of Recommendation - From school staff members, community mentor/coaches/advisor/supervisor.

I confirm that all information presented in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge and free from any fabrication.

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| <p>Printed Name of Applicant:_____</p> <p>Signature of Applicant:_____</p> |
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| <p>Printed Name of Applicants Parent(s):_____</p> <p>Signature of Applicants Parents: _____</p> |
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