

Del Yonts Legacy Scholarship
By
Grant-Valkaria Community Association
(GVCA)

Application Deadline June 1, 2026

Application package must be **POSTMARKED** by June 1, 2026



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The “**Del Yonts Legacy Scholarship**” is awarded in honor of the late Del Yonts, a respected founder and the first Mayor of the Town of Grant-Valkaria, who served the community for 18 years. Mayor Yonts, an accomplished engineer, also had a deep appreciation for hands-on work and construction. He genuinely enjoyed connecting with and inspiring young people to chase any goal they pursued. This scholarship continues his legacy by providing grants to students pursuing a college degree or a future in any trade, reflecting his dual passions for academic achievement and practical skills. Graduating high school seniors within the Grant-Valkaria Area are eligible to apply. You will be notified by phone or email of receipt, evaluation, and notification of the award status of your application. If your packet is qualified, you will be required to complete a 15-minute in-person interview with the scholarship committee.

Members of the GVCA and their immediate family members **ARE NOT** eligible for scholarship consideration.

Please carefully review each item below. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that the required documents are included with their application. Failure to comply will result in the application being disqualified in its entirety.

Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA) will award one \$500.00 scholarship to a deserving high school graduate or currently enrolled college student for the 2025/2026 graduation year. If you are interested, please follow the guidelines below.

Sincerely,

Grant-Valkaria Scholarship Committee
Katrina L. Strand, Chairperson

Attachment B

Application Guidelines:

- ❖ Applicant must be a U.S. citizen at the time of the initial scholarship application.
- ❖ Applicant must be a prospective graduate of a High School within the Grant-Valkaria servicing area (BPS or Private school) who has applied and has been accepted into an accredited institution of higher learning or a Technical Trade School (include a copy of your acceptance letter) or currently enrolled college student with GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 system).
- ❖ Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 system) or higher (see package details).
- ❖ Applicants must submit two (2) letters of recommendation attesting to the applicant's scholarship worthiness, potential, and character (see package details). One must be from your high school counselor or a faculty member. The other should be from your church, community, or employment. Family members **MAY NOT** submit a letter.
- ❖ Applicants must submit a sealed official certified copy of his/her high school/college transcript (see package details).
- ❖ Provide a written essay (containing no more than 250 words) that describes what your community means to you and what ways to improve your community.
- ❖ Future goals and your most prominent achievement, and how it relates to your field of study.
- ❖ Applicants shall provide a one (1) page bio, to include a list of all academic awards, school and community service involvement, and sports activities. At the top or bottom of the page, include a photo.
- ❖ A complete application package, including completion of attachments B, C, D, and E, must be received or postmarked by June 1, 2026. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

The complete application package shall be submitted to:

Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA), Attn: Scholarship Committee, via email or USPS at the address listed below.

For any Questions

Contact: Katrina L. Strand @ 321-456-7180 Email: GVCABrevard@gmail.com

PO Box 90

Grant-Valkaria, FL 32949

Application Package Checklist

- Color Photograph:** Recent portrait (headshot). Applicant's name must be included.
- Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA) Scholarship Application**
- Official High School or College Transcript:** The high school transcript must include the (1) first semester of your senior year, (2) cite the cumulative grade point average, and (3) be in an envelope sealed and signed by a school official.
- School Recommendation:** One typed, signed letter (dated within the past 30-60 days before submission) from a school official (i.e., principal, teacher/instructor, counselor, advisor, etc.) on the school's official letterhead. The recommendation should include how long the recommender has known the applicant and in what capacity, and highlight the applicant's academic achievements, personal characteristics, and leadership skills.
- Community Service Recommendation:** The student must complete 25 hours of community service. Most of these hours must be for the Grant-Valkaria community. Opportunities include any approved Grant Community Club or Grant-Valkaria Town functions or any entity associated with the Town of Grant-Valkaria. These hours must be compiled before the end of May of the year of the application. To have the hours "count," each entry must include the date of service, the number of hours worked, a brief description of the job (for example, painted picnic tables, cleaned the "xyz" areas, or raked part of the parking lot), and a verification signature.
- Essay:** What is your most prominent achievement, and how does it relate to your field of study?
- Color Photograph:** Recent portrait (headshot). Applicant's name should be included on back of photo. Group photo not acceptable.
- Acceptance Letter:** A copy of the acceptance letter from a Post-Secondary Institution.
- Bio:** Include a list of all Academic Honors, Awards, and Extra Curricular Activities (community service) during high school (Junior and/or Senior years).
- Community Service Log:** Include the Community Service Log, completed and showing 25 hours of confirmed community service.

All attempts will be made to schedule a personal interview for the Applicant. All interviews will be conducted at the beginning of June 2026. Should the applicant be unavailable due to being out of town or working, the student may be excused from the personal interview.

Attachment D

GRANT-VALKARIA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (GVCA)

Del Yonts Legacy Scholarship Application

The entire application form MUST be typed or printed legibly.

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name: _____
Last First MI

2. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

3. Home Address: _____
(Street Address)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

4. Home Telephone Number: _____ 6. Cell Phone Number _____

5. Email Address: _____

6. Is any member of your family a member of GVCA:

Yes ___ No ___ if so, Name: _____

7. Is your mother or father an active-duty service member or Veteran? Yes ___ No ___

II. HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

1. Name of High School: _____

2. School Address: _____
City/State Zip Code

3. School Counselor Name: _____

4. Counselor Phone Number: _____

5. Counselor Email Address: _____

6. Expected Graduation Date (MM/DD/YY): _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

III. FAMILY INFORMATION (Applicants under 18 years of age)

1. Name of Parent(s)/Legal Guardian: _____
Last First MI

2. Home Address: _____
(Street Address)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

3. Home Telephone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

IV. PLANNED FIELD OF STUDY

1. List Major: _____
 Full-Time
 Part-Time

V. SCHOLARSHIPS (List any scholarships you have been awarded)

Name of Scholarship/Issuing Organization	Date Awarded	Amount

VI. PHOTO RELEASE

As the parent/guardian of the applicant, I hereby grant Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA) the unrestricted right and permission to use and re-use my child’s name and likeness in any and all publications, including photograph, television broadcast, video recording, internet sites, audio-recording or any other form of electronic or print communication (the Promotional Materials), for its own purposes without payment or any other consideration to me or my child, in perpetuity. I understand and agree that any material produced using my child’s likeness is the property of Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA).

Parent/Legal Guardian (Print Name)

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

*Please note that if a photo release is not provided, the recipient **cannot** be photographed in group pictures, and the images cannot be published.

VII. CERTIFICATIONS

Please indicate, by your signatures (original signatures only) below, that you certify the statements in this application are correct.

I authorize the Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA) to verify any information in my scholarship package as necessary. I understand that misrepresentation of any information or the submission of inaccurate or incomplete information will result in disqualification from consideration for a scholarship or in the forfeiture of any award that I may receive.

I understand that if I am awarded a scholarship, the scholarship funds will be payable directly to me once proper verification documents have been provided to the Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA).

Applicant (Print Name): _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian (Print Name): _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PART B: This part of the application MUST be completed by the student:

Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Extracurricular activities: List activities in which you have participated. Include community service, clubs, teams, musical groups, etc., and indicate your major accomplishments in each. If needed, attach an additional sheet.

Activity	Hours/ Week	Grade	Accomplishments

Recognition, Awards, or Work Experience: List below any honors, awards, recognition, and/or work experiences. If needed, attach an additional sheet.

Recognition, Award, or Work Experience	Hours/ Week	Grade	Brief Description

Student's Acknowledgment: I understand that completing this form does not guarantee selection to be a Grant-Valkaria Community Association (GVCA) Scholarship Recipient.

Student's Signature _____

Date _____