



Important Information about Scholarships

Eligibility

Each scholarship fund has specific eligibility criteria which were defined by the donor when the fund was established. These criteria are described in detail under each of the funds listed on the following pages.

Application Deadline:

Applications can be found online at www.smokyvalleycf.org. Most scholarships have a deadline of **March 31, 2012**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. We recommend you send your application and all supporting documents to us in one envelope. Please be sure to mark each item with your name.

Scholarships by School

Lindsborg Area Home Educators

- Mona Peterson Community Service Scholarship

Smoky Valley High School

- Judith K. Burch Scholarship
- Mona Peterson Community Service Scholarship
- Smoky Valley Elementary Education Scholarship

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Questions?

You may contact Rebecca VanDerWege, Chairman of the Board of Directors, at (785) 227-4211 or email her at smokyvalley@gscf.org.

Judith K. Burch Scholarship

For high school seniors at Smoky Valley High School who will attend Bethany College

Criteria:

- Applicant must be a student in good standing qualifying for graduation from Smoky Valley High School, Lindsborg, KS.
- Applicant must attend Bethany College, Lindsborg, KS.
- Preference will be given to students majoring in mathematics or science teaching, mathematics or science. If no applicants are intending to major in any of these areas, then the scholarship can be awarded to an applicant chosen by the selection committee.
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicant must be involved in extracurricular activities.
- Applicants must submit a copy of their 7-semester high school transcript.
- Applicants must submit an essay that states their reasons for attending Bethany College and lists their dreams for the future.
- Applications are due by March 31, and should be sent to:

Smoky Valley High School Counselor
#1 Viking Blvd.
Lindsborg, KS 67456

Mona Peterson Community Service Scholarship

For high school seniors in good standing from Smoky Valley High School, the Smoky Valley Home Educators or the Lindsborg Area Home Educators who are involved in community service activities

Criteria:

- Applicant in good standing qualifying for graduation.
- Applicant must be accepted into an accredited post-secondary institution (this includes 2 or 4 year technical schools or on-line programs).
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of between 2.5 and 3.9.
- Applicant must be involved in community service activities. Applicant should submit a list of community service activities, as well as other activities they are involved in.
- Applicants must submit an essay explaining what motivated them to get involved in their community and how they see that service continuing in their futures.
- Applications are due by March 31 and should be sent to:

Smoky Valley Community Foundation
PO Box 84
Lindsborg, KS 67456

Smoky Valley Elementary Education Scholarship

For high school seniors at Smoky Valley High School or a home-school senior living in the Smoky Valley District

Criteria:

- Applicant must be a student in good standing qualifying for graduation from Smoky Valley High School or a home-school living in the Smoky Valley District.
- Applicant must be interested in majoring in Elementary Education.
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of between 2.0 and 4.0.
- Applicants must submit a resume showing involvement in at least one school related extracurricular activity and at least one community activity.
- Applicants must submit a one page essay sharing why he/she wishes to be an elementary school teacher.
- Applicant must provide at least two letters of recommendation from non-related adults.
- All other criteria having been met, the scholarship will be awarded based on financial need.
- Applications are due by March 31, and should be sent to:

Smoky Valley High School Counselor
#1 Viking Blvd.
Lindsborg, KS 67456

About the scholarship:

The Smoky Valley Elementary Education Scholarship was started by William and Gaylia Lindholm in 2009. Gaylia was an elementary school teacher for many years and wanted to recognize students entering that profession.