

LAKE FORK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ROGER D. COURSEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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FUND CRITERIA

This Scholarship Fund was established by Bill and Ruthanna Hall, in the name of Roger D. Coursey, the Sheriff of Hinsdale County, Colorado, who was killed, in the line of duty, in November 1994. Roger was vitally interested in the education of children and his family has heartily endorsed the establishment of this Scholarship Fund.

A. Scholarships For Graduating Seniors

The primary focus of this Fund will be to provide as much support as funds will allow, to graduates of the Lake City High Schools for those students whose primary residence has been Hinsdale County, Colorado for at least two years preceding application for scholarship funds. The Board of Directors will establish amounts available each year based upon available funds and the number of qualified graduating students. Application in the year of high school graduation is not a prerequisite for application in succeeding years. Students, who are qualified upon graduation, will be eligible to continue to apply for funds in succeeding years so long as eligibility requirements are otherwise maintained.

B. Continuing Education Scholarships

As a secondary goal of the Scholarship Fund, and once again, to the extent that funds are available, the Fund will support any resident of the Lake Fork Valley, in Hinsdale County, who wishes to further his or her education and who has been a resident for at least two years. The Board of Directors shall be certain that expenditures for Continuing Education Scholarships will not impair the ability of the fund to provide for the primary focus group above.

STUDENT CRITERIA

All students who fit the above criteria will be eligible for scholarship funds on a non-competitive basis. Seniors, graduating from Lake City High School, shall fill out and submit the attached application. The funds established each year by the Board of Directors will be available to qualified students for all expenses related to their education such as, tuition, books, and room and board at an accredited school of their choice. Applicants for Continuing Education Scholarships will need to submit a completed application, together with a written letter, describing their continuing education objectives. Individual decisions will be made on the basis of applications submitted.

Applicants may be required to appear before the selection committee, in person, for an interview.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Graduating Lake City High School Seniors must have applied for and been accepted for enrollment in an accredited college or university located in any state in the United States of their choice. Candidates must agree to carry and pass 12 credit hours, during each semester and maintain a 2.5 G.P.A. (on a 4.0 scale), or better. Candidates must agree to meet the minimal reporting requirements, that is, promptly answering correspondence from the Foundation, notifying the Foundation of home and school address changes, submitting semester grade reports, etc.

Candidates applying for Continuing Education Scholarships must indicate the education medium of their choice and demonstrate a reasonable expectation that they will be accepted if scholarship funds are made available.

SELECTION AND AWARD PROCESS

Scholarships are available to undergraduate and graduate students and, to the extent that funds are available, to continuing education applicants. Financial need and availability of funds from other grants, scholarships, or loans shall not be considered in determining eligibility. Applications must be submitted to the Roger D. Coursey Scholarship Fund by May 1 of each year.

Upon completion of the selection process, announcement letters regarding scholarships for graduating seniors will be forwarded, with an award certificate, to the appropriate high school principal for presentation to the designated recipient at the annual school Awards Day ceremony. Continuing Education applicants will be notified by mail or in person and will be presented with their award at that time.

All Scholarship Fund payments will be made directly to the school or continuing education program in which the student will enroll. Upon notification of acceptance from the school of choice, one-half the scholarship funds will be sent for the first semester. Upon receipt of a transcript showing a 2.5 GPA for the first semester, the second half of the scholarship award will be sent to the school. If the student wishes to receive scholarship funds for subsequent school years, they should send a letter to the Board so stating. Funds will be awarded based on availability of money in the Scholarship Fund balance.

