

The Kristen Swartzendruber Memorial Scholarship

Overview

The Kristen Swartzendruber Memorial Fund was established when Kristen tragically lost her life in an automobile accident in September 2002. At the time of her death, Kristen was leading the Haysville School District as the Superintendent. She was an advocate for children and of the value of education. Because of Kristen's contribution to education, it was decided to create a scholarship fund in her name for the purpose of furthering the education of Campus/Alternative High School senior and an employee of USD 261 Haysville. Two individuals will each receive a \$500.00 scholarship each year.

Program

- Two, one year nonrenewable \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded for the 2009-10 academic year to (1) Campus/Alternative High School Senior and (1) employee of USD 261.
- One (1) Campus/Alternative High School student and (1) employee of USD 261 will be selected from among applicants.
- The scholarship is intended for use in paying tuition, room and board, books or fees.
- The scholarship must be used for attendance to a two-year or four-year college or university.

Eligibility

- Must be a Campus/Alternative High School senior during the 2009-10 academic year.
- Student must reside in the Haysville School District
- District employee must have been employed with USD 261 continually for 3 years.
- District employee must show an indication of working toward a degree.

Criteria

- A committee will review the applications received
- Applicants must indicate their financial need in a brief statement
- The award will be a one-year non-renewable scholarship payable directly to the institution, or upon acceptable proof of expenditure, reimbursement may be made to the recipient.
- For students, applicant's parents or legal guardian must verify the information submitted as correct with his or her signature.
- Two Letters of Recommendation: Students: a teacher, counselor or a school administrator; Employee: your building administrator and one other professional reference
- Applicant must have applied for admissions or accepted to post-secondary accredited institution.
- Preference will be given to an applicant who is pursuing a degree related to education.

Awards

- The recipients of the scholarships will be contacted and invited to attend a Board of Education meeting to accept the scholarship.

Timeframe

- **APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN: APRIL 30, 2010**
- **RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET ALONG WITH TWO RECOMMENDATIONS LETTERS TO: Gina Keirns**
Tri-City Day School
250 E. Grand Ave
Haysville, KS 67060
- **FINALISTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY: MAY 7, 2010**

Kristen Swartzendruber Memorial Scholarship
USD 261 Employee Application
(Please type or print legibly)

Name of Applicant: _____ Social Security No: _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H): _____ Phone (c): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Did you receive a high school diploma Yes No Year _____ GPA _____

Name of High School _____ Location _____

Did you earn a GED certificate Yes No

If yes: Date of test: _____ Location: _____

Have you or are you currently attending college? Yes No GPA _____

Name of college/university? _____ Major _____

Please list any clubs, sports, activities or community volunteerism in which you participate(ed).

Please list any honors or awards you have received.

Please attach an essay including the following:

- Briefly explain the factors which contribute to your financial need for a college scholarship and why you should be considered for this scholarship.
- Please share your reasons for your personal commitment to education.

By my signature I verify the information contained in this scholarship application is correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date