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ELLENSBURG RODEO SCHOLARSHIP

The Ellensburg Rodeo Association offers a scholarship for an accredited community college, university, trade school, job training or vocational education for one selected high school graduate from within Kittitas County to be based upon the need and the criteria set forth below.

The total value of the scholarship is One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be provided by the Ellensburg Rodeo Association.

The scholarship award will be made annually to one qualified student selected by the Scholarship Selection Committee of the Ellensburg Rodeo Association and approved by the board.

Criteria for selection:

- a. Applicant must be a graduating senior enrolled full time in a Kittitas County senior high school with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA.
- b. Applicant must exhibit good character and morals and should be involved in community service activities outside of the high school environment.
- c. Applicant must have a responsible driving record and must manifest positive character, loyalty, leadership, and self-reliance.
- d. Applicant must have financial need and a goal of obtaining post high school education at an accredited community college, university, trade school, job training or vocational educational institution.
- e. Applicant must be enrolled in or be accepted by an accredited community college, university, trade, job training or vocational education institution.
- f. The scholarship shall be awarded for post high school education such as: community college, university, trade school, job training or vocational education. The awarded amount will be given directly to the institute for the recipient's credit and to defray costs of the education or training so desired. If any of the amount awarded is not used by the student during the time of their education, it shall be returned to the Ellensburg Rodeo Association.
- g. Applications are due to the Ellensburg Rodeo Office on or before May 5th of each year. The scholarship recipient selection shall be made by May 20th of each year by the Ellensburg Rodeo Association, based on the information submitted. This includes:
 - A cover letter from the candidate stating the goals and objectives of the student in regards to advanced educational opportunities.
 - A resume.

- A proposed budget outlining how the funds would be spent. The proposed budget is not to be used as a selection tool, but only as a forecast of the student's anticipated expenses.
- A letter of recommendation from the school. Letters of recommendation will be accepted from the applicant in a sealed envelope or in person at the Ellensburg Rodeo Office from the individual who wrote the letter.
- Official, sealed transcripts.
- A possible interview with our Community Relations Director.

The Ellensburg Rodeo shall arrange for an announcement to be made to honor the recipient at graduation each year if a recipient has been selected. An appropriate announcement shall also be made to the public, recognizing the achievement of the recipient.

This scholarship was first awarded in 1996. The Ellensburg Rodeo is not obligated to award the scholarship every year; it depends on the qualifications of the applicants.

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