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Fr. William J. Early Memorial Catholic High School Scholarship

Scholarship Application Instructions

The Fr. William J. Early Memorial Catholic High School Scholarship is established to keep alive the memory of Dear Fr. Bill Early. It is privately funded by the charity of a small group of individuals of Ascension Parish. The fund is managed by the Knights of Columbus, Council 7902, of Ascension Parish.

Only registered and active students of Ascension Parish may apply for this Scholarship. The funds may only be used to attend a San Diego area Catholic High School.

Depending on funds availability there may be multiple awards made to deserving students.

Applications are available in the Church Office after February until May of each school year.

Scholarship checks for the successful student applicants will be made out in favor of the student selected Catholic High School in one payment and mailed directly to the successful student's home/parent's address.

In addition to the Scholarship Application, **ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED TO BE STAPLED TOGETHER AND SUBMITTED AT ONE TIME PRIOR TO THE CLOSING OF THE SPECIFIED APPLICATION PERIOD:**

1. A copy of the student's most recent report card.
2. A current letter of recommendation from the student's teacher or school Principal.
3. A current letter from a Deacon or church leader detailing the student's church activities.
4. A maximum 500-word essay. The essay shall be in two parts.

The first part will be a description of why the student wants to attend a Catholic High School.

In the second part of the essay, the student shall select one of Jesus' Parables, describe its meaning, and how we can apply it in our daily lives.

The entire application for funds will be rejected and not considered if:

The application form is not properly signed by the student **and** parent/guardian.

The student fails to properly, carefully, legibly, fill out the application form with **ALL** required information.

The student fails to use the "Father William J. Early Catholic High School Scholarship Application" form

Parents or guardians who sign the application form are attesting that the information provided on the form is complete and accurate.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 24, 2023; Application Forms available in the church office or can be downloaded from the Church website

May 22, 2023; Deadline for all paperwork to be in the Church Office.

Scholarship awarded: Announced at the Ascension Parish Church Fiesta and notification to applicants.

The successful scholarship applicant(s) will be determined by the Scholarship Board made up of members of the Knights of Columbus, Ascension Council. Judging will be based on **need**, and the following criteria: Catholic works and service of the applicant and family; Community works and service of the applicant; grades and efforts in school; and an evaluation of the student's essay.

Determining scholarship recipients is a subjective process. The Knights of Columbus will put their best prayerful efforts into making their best decision.

Applications will be held in strictest confidence. Only the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Board members will have access to the information and solely for the determination of the successful applicant. Applications will not be returned.

INCOMPLETE, ILLEGIBLE OR LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

For questions contact: Damon Mosler at damonmosler23@gmail.com

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Return Completed application to the Ascension Parish Office in a sealed envelope marked

Fr. William Early Scholarship.

FR. WILIJAM J. EARLY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

STUDENT INFORMATION

All submitted information will be held in strictest Confidence and will be used solely to determine the successful applicant(s).

PRINT CLEARLY: IF WE CANNOT READ YOUR WRITING, YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE

REJECTED. LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ HOME TELEPHONE: _____

E MAIL: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

GENDER: (Circle): MALE/FEMALE

Present School & Grade: _____

Next Year School & Grade: _____

List Catholic High School, address, and telephone number which you plan to attend:

Ascension Parish Church Activities: (Circle all that apply-): Alter Server; Church Youth Group; Choir;

Others (List): _____

Community Service: (List): _____

School Activities & Outside Clubs: (List): _____

Awards/Other Recognitions (List): _____

Additional pages may be attached.

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father's name: _____ Occupation: _____

Mother's name: _____ Occupation: _____

List Brother's names and ages: _____

List sister's names and ages; _____

Total Annual Household Income: _____

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION

1. A copy of your most RECENT report card.
2. A RECENT letter of recommendation from a teacher or Principal.
3. A RECENT letter of recommendation from a Parish leader detailing the applicant's church activities.
4. The required, two-part essay: (See Scholarship Application instructions for details).

Student's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent's, (or Guardian's), Signature: _____
_____ Date _____

You may attach additional pages if necessary.

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The successful candidate(s) will be NOTIFIED by letter to the listed home address.

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