



Skirm Family Scholarship

Trust Background:

The Skirm Family Trust was established in 2015 to give back to the Clover Park High School community by offering three (3) \$500 scholarships intended to support a graduating senior's college textbook costs.

The Skirm family recognizes and values the power of education; it includes teachers, instructors, and librarians who understand the importance of having a solid foundation built upon the ability to comprehend sophisticated textbooks, novels, and instructional manuals, as well as the ability to put coherent, complex thoughts into words. They strongly believe in education, the philanthropic ideals of giving back to the community, and understand the hardship and values learned while enduring challenges.

This scholarship is designed to award students in financial need who hold similar philanthropic ideals, who have demonstrated perseverance through challenging events, whether academic and/or personal, and who similarly believe that a higher education will be the key to creating a solid foundation for a successful future.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be a graduating senior from Clover Park High School
2. Must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA at the time of applying for this scholarship
3. Must have applied and show proof of acceptance to a 2 or 4-year accredited higher education program for the school year immediately following graduation

Deadline:

Completed scholarship applications are due no later than **Friday May 1st, 2020** and must be delivered to the main office (*Please place in Briana Kelly's* box*) or to Ms. Kelly* in Room 305. Any applications missing information or deemed incomplete will be automatically disqualified. (*Note: Ms. Kelly is not on the selection committee)

Award Announcement and Acceptance:

The scholarship winners will receive their formal award notice and information packet at the Clover Park High School Senior Awards Night. Students must provide proof of acceptance and enrollment in a 2- or 4-year program at an accredited institution of learning for the upcoming academic year (*usually a letter from the college's registrar*), as well as all other CPHS scholarship awardee requirements (*including a formal thank you letter*), to have their award money transferred to their school for textbook purchases. (*Note: This requirement is usually completed after graduation and may delay book purchases for the first semester if not completed during the summer.*) Please see the student accounts bookkeeper with questions and to submit the required materials.

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Please answer all questions, typing or printing legibly in blue or black ink

Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

(If mailing address is different, please list both)

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Currently Employed? No Yes Occupation: _____

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Currently Employed? No Yes Occupation: _____

Currently living with: _____

Number of dependents 18 and under in household (including you): _____

Are you, the student applicant, currently employed? No Yes

If yes, occupation: _____

Have you completed your FAFSA/WASFA? No Yes

Are you eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch? No Reduced Free

Total yearly household income (after taxes):

- \$0 - \$10,000
- \$10,001 - \$25,000
- \$25,001 - \$45,000
- \$45,001 - \$60,000
- \$60,001 - \$80,000
- \$80,000 +

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Current cumulative GPA: _____

Type of institution you plan to attend next year: Community/Technical College
 4-Year University or College
 Other: _____

Have you received any acceptance letters yet? No Yes
 Applications Still Pending

Planned major or area of study: _____

Education / Career Goals: _____

Academic Activities & Achievements (*awards, honor roll, AP classes, etc.*):

Extracurricular Activities & Achievements (*club & sport team participation, awards, officer positions, student leadership, arts programs, etc.*):

Community Activities & Achievements (*volunteer work, church or community program involvement, etc. Include total hours involved with each program*):

Other sources of financial support or assistance helping you fund college:

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Short Essay Questions and Responses:

Respond to the following three questions, each answer should be a minimum of 200 but no more than 500 words to provide a detailed answer for each question. Please type your responses on a separate document and attach them to the application. Include your full name in the header of each page and the question number and prompt at the beginning of each response.

- 1) The founders have a strong belief in the positive power and influence of education. Why is furthering your education important to you? What long-term benefits do you hope or plan for it to provide?

- 2) Getting a higher education can be very challenging and stressful at times. Explain what will motivate you to stay in school, overcome any personal/financial/academic challenges you may face, and finish strong?

- 3) This scholarship was founded with the heartfelt belief that giving back to others in your community is an essential part of life. How you have given back to your community, whether through school programs or community groups, and how do you hope or plan to continue serving others in the future?

- 4) *OPTIONAL*: Applicants may also include a personal statement to give the selection committee a deeper understanding of the applicant, but it may not substitute for any of the above three questions.

Completed applications and any additional questions may be sent to Briana Kelly at bkelly@cloverpark.k12.wa.us

All materials will be forwarded to the trust holders and selection committee