

# **Welsh Family Scholarship**

Scholarship Application Packet

Application Deadline:

April 8, 2017

The **Welsh Family Scholarship** was established in 2016 to offer financial assistance to graduates from Springfield Local High School. The graduates are expected to demonstrate academic achievement, a strong work ethic, personal integrity and contribution to their community.

### **Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be a current senior of Springfield Local High School;
- Applicants must have been accepted at or are enrolled in a licensed, certified, or regionally accredited non-profit post-secondary institution or training/certification program;
- Applicants must demonstrate academic aptitude, achievement, and work performance with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;
- Applicants must verify completion of a minimum of 10 hours of community service hours during applicant's high school career as validated per certified documentation (see attached);
- There is no need-based criteria;
- Funds ONLY apply to tuition and will only be credited directly to the institution.

### **Amount and Duration of Award**

Recipients may be awarded this scholarship **only once**. Funding for this scholarship is based on interest revenues generated in the Welsh Family Scholarship Trust. The scholarship is currently designed for annual awards of \$1000, however, based on the above, this amount may vary. All scholarships are subject to availability of funds, to be determined at the absolute discretion of the selection committee.

### **Scholarship Selection**

The scholarship committee is made up of designated members per the origination of this award. Committee members review each application and select the recipients without regard to an applicant's race, religion, gender, age, disability, or national origin. Scholarships are awarded based upon academic merit, work ethic, commitment to lifelong learning, personal integrity, career goals, and commitment to the community through volunteering.

## **Scholarship Recipient Notifications**

Awards will be presented at the school's annual awards banquet ceremony by either a member of the Welsh Family or a School Administrator.

## **Scholarship Payment and Accountability**

All scholarship awards will be credited directly to the licensed, certified, or regionally accredited non-profit post-secondary institution or training/certification program that is providing the continuing education. Payments will be made for tuition only. Recipients are responsible for providing a completed application to the scholarship review committee prior to the application deadline.

## **Application Process**

An application must be submitted as complete, incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications that use forms other than prescribed in this packet will not be considered. Each applicant is responsible for ensuring that their supporting documents are received by the selection committee prior to the application deadline. Applications are available at the Springfield Local High School administration office. Any materials received after the application deadline will not be considered for a scholarship. The application becomes the property of the selection committee and will not be returned.

To apply for the scholarship, submit the application form, along with all supporting documents, and return to the address below. Additional questions or concerns may be directed to [welsh.family.scholarship@gmail.com](mailto:welsh.family.scholarship@gmail.com)

Applications may be submitted to:

Welsh Family Scholarship  
2446 Oakwood Dr Southeast  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506

### **Application Checklist**

- \_\_\_ 1) A completed scholarship application form (refer to attachment)
- \_\_\_ 2) A current letter from an accredited institution that provides the following:
  - Confirmation of acceptance/registration to the institution
  - An estimate of tuition costs for the next school year
- \_\_\_ 3) An official transcript from the most recent school term completed
- \_\_\_ 4) A completed form proving at least 10 hours of completed community service in the duration of applicant's high school career (more hours will receive stronger consideration)
- \_\_\_ 5) A typed, double spaced, one-page narrative describing the applicant's post-secondary plans and why this path was chosen
- \_\_\_ 6) Two letters of recommendation from non-relatives. Only one of which may be from a school employee. It is required that at least one if not both are from individual(s) within the local community.

