



KNEEHILL COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This scholarship program was established for Kneehill County residents enrolled in a post-secondary institution. The intent of this policy is to emphasize that education is not an end in itself, but instead is a means by which people become contributing members of society. Kneehill County recognizes the importance of an educated population to the future well-being of rural communities. This scholarship program is in support of rural students attending a university, college or trade school.

Award Value

The award will be in the form of two scholarships valued at \$2,000 each, one awarded on academic achievement in high school and one awarded on community and leadership activities.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a rural resident of Kneehill County.
- Be enrolled in their first year as full-time student at a recognized post-secondary institution.
- Have graduated with an Alberta High School Diploma and have taken a minimum of 25 credits in final school year.

Selection Process

The selection committee shall consist of all current Kneehill County Councillors.

The recipients will be selected on:

- Area of study and future goals in areas identified
- Academic achievement in high school
- Community and volunteer service; leadership activities
- Written essay
- Letters of reference

Application Process

Included with your completed Application Form and signed Declaration:

- A written essay (maximum 500 words) demonstrating the importance of your choice of studies, and how your future goals and aspirations support rural communities, agriculture or rural municipal government. Essay should also highlight the role and contribution you have made to your local community and/or school through volunteer, extracurricular and leadership activities.
- Two written letters of reference. (non-relative)
- Current transcript (unofficial from High School signed by Principal is acceptable if official not yet available).
- Confirmation of enrollment and acceptance into program at post-secondary institution.
- One copy of applicant's graduation picture to be used for Kneehill County Communications only if candidate is selected. The picture will not be returned.

Deadline and How to Apply

- Application deadline: August 30 at 4:30 p.m.
- Submit your completed application to Kneehill County:
C/O Sponsorship Program
Box 400, 1600- 2nd Street NE
Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0
Email: execassist@kneehillcounty.com



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Kneehill County is collecting the personal information on this form under the authority of section 33 (c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP Act), as being directly related to and necessary to determine your eligibility for a *scholarship under Kneehill County Policy 15-5*. If you have any questions about the collection of this information, please contact Carolyn Van der Kuil, Executive Assistant at (403) 443-5541.

Personal Information

Last Name:

First Name:

Rural Address: (Blue Sign)

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Social Insurance Number:

Mailing Address

Box Number:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Cell Phone Number:

Post-Secondary Studies

Name of Institution:

Name of Program:

Entry Date of Program:



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Declaration of Applicant

I have read and understand the instructions, and declare that:

- All information provided is true and complete and I understand it is subject to audit.
- I will meet any eligibility requirements and obligations of the scholarship as stated in Kneehill County Policy # 15-5.
- I will be a full-time student at the institution named for the period stated.
- I will immediately notify Kneehill County in writing if I withdraw from full-time studies before completing one semester of studies.
- I am a rural resident of Kneehill County.

I understand and agree that:

- If I receive a Kneehill County Scholarship Award, I may be requested to attend a recognition ceremony to be publically recognized.
- If I receive a Kneehill County Scholarship Award, my name and photo may be published in the local newspaper, Kneehill County website and in other Kneehill County Communications.
- Any incomplete scholarship application will not be processed or considered for scholarship award.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Checklist:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Application Form and Signed Declaration | <input type="checkbox"/> Current Transcript |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Written Essay | <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation of Enrollment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two Letters of Reference | <input type="checkbox"/> Graduation Picture |

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