



GDS FAIR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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The purpose of the GDS Community Fair Association's scholarship program is to provide an incentive to future generations to actively participate in community volunteer activities including, but not limited to, our fair association. Therefore, in order to provide financial assistance to deserving students pursuing higher education, the GDS Fair will be awarding annual scholarship(s), given directly to the chosen award applicant(s) at Opening Ceremonies on the first Friday (opening day) of the annual GDS Fair.

Financial need status will not be a requirement of the scholarship, since many students are not classified as such, but are worthy of financial assistance for their accomplishments. Recipients must sign an agreement which states they will complete at least one semester of schooling and provide their first semester transcript or return the full scholarship award.

Judges will receive instruction on relevant criteria and scoring methods to be used. They will make their selection prior to the annual GDS Fair and recipient(s) will be notified by mail. Judges' decision will be final.

You may pick up your application at your local school's guidance office or download one from our website www.gdsfair.org. For more information, contact the fair office at 570-676-4047 or 272-253-5210 or email: scholarships@gdsfair.org.

Mail completed application to
GDS Fair Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 457 Crestmont Drive, Newfoundland, PA 18445.

DEADLINE: Application must be post marked no later than June 30th.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in any of the following school districts: Delaware Valley, East Stroudsburg North, Forest City, North Pocono, Wallenpaupack, Wayne Highlands or Western Wayne including those enrolled in a state-approved home school program; and,
2. Applicant must be enrolled in either an Associates or Bachelor degree level program, or a post secondary trade or technical school, and is starting their courses in the summer or fall semester of the current year; and,
3. Applicant must have contributed to community service locally or in school; and,
4. Applicant must meet at least ONE of the following requirements:
 - Be a member of the GDS Fair
 - Be a child or grandchild of a member of the GDS Fair
 - Have contributed significantly to the preparation and/or conduct of the GDS Fair in the past 3 years

With the passing of Lifetime Member Paula (Kipp) DeEsch, the GDS Fair now offers a Scholarship in her memory. Paula spent many years as Chair of the Scholarship Committee. Eligibility requirements will be the same as the GDS Fair Scholarship. The DeEsch family will choose the recipient.

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