



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Father Barry Council 2091, Rumford, Maine Applications due by May 1, 2018

PURPOSE:

To provide limited Financial Assistance to dependent children and grandchildren of the Knights of Columbus Council 2091 members and members of Holy Savior Parish (St. A&J, Rumford and Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel) for the furthering of their college education.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:

Scholarships are awarded without consideration of financial need. Decisions are based upon: scholastic aptitude of the applicants who are seniors in high school, members of Holy Savior Parish (inclusive of St. A&J in Rumford and St. Theresa in Bethel), are active in their Catholic faith and are living it's virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity.

The scholarship is awarded without consideration of financial need, and is available **ONLY TO *GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS (12th Grade) AND **CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENTS in good standing who meet the requirements listed below. Greater weight will be given to graduating high school seniors who apply.**

*Students may apply for one (1) scholarship for each year of college they attend, up to 4 years. **Scholarships must be reapplied for each year in order to be considered.**

**Applications from graduating high school seniors will be given priority in consideration for award.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Applicant must either be:
 - a. a son, daughter, or grandchild of a Knights of Columbus Council 2091 member in good standing; or
 - b. a member of Holy Savior Parish in Rumford, Maine
 - c. Children of deceased council members whose demise occurred while in good standing are also eligible.
2. Applicants must provide the following 4 items:
 - a. **Completed application form**, which can be found on the parish web site and Facebook page
 - i. Signatures of Parent or Guardian and Sponsoring Member are required to certify the accuracy of application.
 - b. **Proof of acceptance** to a college or university (if applying for the first year of college)
 - c. **Letter(s) of recommendation** attesting to the APPLICANT'S involvement in Church and Community from:
 - a. A **Knight in good standing** of Council 2091 or
 - b. An active member of Holy Savior Parish Activities. –
 - i. If the applicant is a family member of a Knight of Council 2091 - the applications **MUST** bear the signature of the Grand Knight and the Financial Secretary verifying good standing of sponsor member.
 - c. A letter of recommendation from the students Priest, Deacon, Religious or Layperson (holding a position [paid or volunteer] within the STUDENT'S parish) specifying the APPLICANT'S involvement in Church activities.
 - d. **Only for applicants currently attending college** –
 - i. A letter of recommendation from campus ministry staff outlining involvement in community activities.
 - ii. Submit transcripts of the STUDENT'S final marks for the current school year. (GPA<2.75)
3. **A 250-500 typed WORD COMPOSITION**, written by the **APPLICANT**, demonstrating knowledge of the importance of Jesus Christ in their life and how He effects the student's role in the Catholic Church, local Parish, and community.

*****Scholarships are dispersed** when transcripts are submitted to the committee chair upon successful completion your first college semester with a minimum **GPA of 2.75**

*****Completed application, letter(s) of recommendations, and composition must be submitted to the Scholarship committee chair, Peter Koch via email (pjk477@gmail.com) by May 1, 2018.**

*****INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. THE DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE IS FINAL.**

OTHER RELATED INFORMATION

1. Payments of Scholarship Awards are made annually and mailed directly to the applying student.
2. Scholarship announcements will be made by KoC Council 2091 Scholarship Committee no later than June 1st.
3. **WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE, EMIAL, or REGULAR MAIL.**