



Future Educators Scholarship Student Information

Description

The North Clackamas Grow Your Own Future Educator Scholarship is designed for a student of color who is a graduating senior, with a desire to become a future educator.

The scholarship may be used to pursue an educator preparatory program.

Purpose

This scholarship was created by the North Clackamas School District to encourage and promote more culturally and linguistically diverse students to pursue a career in education. The North Clackamas School District seeks to prepare graduates who are inspired and empowered in order to strengthen the quality of life in our local and global communities. As a district that aims to be a culturally responsive learning organization, we believe that essential to this mission is to create ways to intentionally remove barriers for our students of color in order for this to happen.

Amount of the Award

The Scholarship will award a minimum \$5,000 scholarship for tuition and fees as well as other costs at the college or university the student attends. Funds are to be distributed to their college or university's financial aid office upon request once the student is registered.

The amount of the award will be reviewed annually by the NCSD Future Educator Awards Committee and the North Clackamas Education Foundation, and may be adjusted annually to account for funds available and/or increases in average tuition costs and fees for post-secondary programs.

Type of Award

Multi-year scholarship to be administered by the student's college or university program as part of their financial aid package.

Conditions for Continuation of Award

The scholarship award will be offered to one or more students in the minimum amount of \$5,000. The award will be divided equally for each year of school attended, based on enrollment in a certified educator program at a 4-year university.

For continuation of the award, the following documents must be sent to North Clackamas Education Foundation at ncefscholarships@gmail.com no later than August 15th prior to the school year in which the funds are requested (ie; August 15th, 2022 for the 2022-23 school year):

- **Proof of attendance and enrollment. This includes a letter from a school counselor and class schedule.**

- **Proof of GPA at or above 2.5 both cumulative and for the most recent year, such as a transcript or most current grade report.**

Selection Criteria

The selection criteria for the scholarship are:

1. Students of color from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
2. Cumulative high school GPA of at least 2.5.
2. Plans to pursue a post-secondary educational opportunity in the field of education.
3. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate financial need.

Application Process (for high school seniors)

Applicants must submit:

- 1) A letter of recommendation from a North Clackamas Schools employee
- 2) Counselor recommendation form.
- 3) A completed Bridges to Success Scholarship application
- 4) A letter of recommendation from an NCSD employee
- 5) A document answering the following questions;
 - a. What interests, beliefs and/or experiences lead you to the pursuit of a career in education?
Short Answer- (no more than 300 words)
 - b. What is your intended area of study, and why are you inspired to pursue this area? Short Answer- (no more than 300 words)
 - c. Please describe a financial, family, or personal obstacle that you have had to overcome (approximately 500 words).

Announcements

The scholarship will be announced and presented at the scholarship awards ceremony at the awardee's high school by a representative of the North Clackamas School District. Scholars will be recognized on the Foundation website and social media.

Screening Interview Opportunity

Once you complete your education program we would love for you to consider working in North Clackamas. As our commitment to being a recipient of this scholarship, we want to offer you a screening interview once you are ready to begin applying for education jobs. In the spring of your graduating year please reach out to the Human Resources director to schedule your interview. A screening interview will give you an opportunity to have your initial interview with the district as well as receive feedback and information about our hiring process.