

# **Malcolm Ritzer Memorial Scholarship Information**

## Description

Malcolm was a history teacher and coach at Clackamas High School for twenty-seven years. This scholarship is intended for a graduating CHS senior with a 2.5 GPA or higher, who wants to attend community college, a four-year college or university or technical school and demonstrates financial need.

### **Purpose**

Malcolm loved his years teaching and mentoring his students. Compassion, kindness, empathy and willingness to go above and beyond to help others not as fortunate are qualities Malcolm admired most in his students.

This scholarship is aimed at students who have struggled early in their high school experience but showed growth and a desire to pursue higher education.

#### Amount of the Award (s)

The Malcolm Ritzer Memorial Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to one Clackamas High School graduating senior.

The amount of the award will be reviewed periodically by the Awards Committee of the North Clackamas Education Foundation (NCEF) in consultation with the donor and may be adjusted to account for funds available or changes in tuition costs.

#### Type of Award

The scholarship is non-renewable and will be delivered directly to the student's chosen school/program once the student has provided proof of enrollment and requested the funds be applied to their student account.

#### **Selection Criteria**

The selection criteria for the scholarship are:

- 1. Applicants must have a cumulative high school GPA of at least 2.5.
- 2. It is preferred that selected scholars have demonstrated a willingness to help and support others in their time of need.
- 3. Preference will be given to students who may have struggled early in their high school experience but showed growth and a desire to pursue higher education.
- 4. Preference will be given to:
  - First generation students: those who do not have a parent who has attained a degree beyond high school.
  - Students who have faced other barriers or challenges

# **Application Process (for high school seniors)**

# Applicants must submit:

- 1) A Counselor Recommendation Form
- 2) A completed NCEF Bridges to Success scholarship application
- 3) A document answering the following questions:
  - a. What institutions are you likely to attend? for each, list the school and its location.
  - b. What is your intended area of study?
  - c. Please write a short essay explaining any previous struggles in high-school and how you came to the decision to pursue further education (approximately 500 words).
  - d. Please write a short essay describing a time you have helped someone in need of support (approximately 500 words).

All documents pertaining to this scholarship, including application information, can be found at <a href="https://www.nc-foundation.org/applications">https://www.nc-foundation.org/applications</a>. Contact <a href="mailto:ncfoundation@nclack.k12.or.us">ncfoundation@nclack.k12.or.us</a> with any additional questions.