

# BYFL SCHOLARSHIP FUND



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## BACKGROUND:

Established in the halls and fields of D.C. Everest High School in 1996, the Back Yard Football League (BYFL) was created with a spirit of camaraderie. What ensued was an environment in which young adults of varying interests and backgrounds could come together on a regular basis to work towards a common goal – to win Back Yard Football games. Numerous friendships were strengthened; countless more were created.

Over the years, the football games have decreased in frequency, but the spirit of camaraderie has not. BYFL has progressed from a weekly athletic gathering to a vast social network largely rooted in the D.C. Everest District. BYFL leadership continues to work together toward a common goal – this time to create a scholarship for D.C. Everest graduating seniors in the spirit of BYFL.

What started out as a group of young men gathering weekly to participate in tackle football games has progressed to a close knit group of friends and families. Since it began, BYFL has grown to include spouses, children, coworkers and new friends. Members of the group have served their country in the military both overseas and at home. Many others have gone on to earn college degrees and returned to serve their communities in their careers.

Members of BYFL are grateful for the opportunities that have been afforded to them via D.C. Everest High School and the surrounding communities. They hope to continue to provide similar opportunities to graduating seniors that exhibit the qualities that have made BYFL great. They have chosen to work with the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin to develop an annual scholarship to help achieve that goal. To fund the scholarship, fundraising events have been held in the greater Rothschild, Schofield, Weston, and Kronenwetter areas.

## APPLICATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY:

To apply for consideration, students must complete the general application for scholarships at D.C. Everest Senior High School. Contact the guidance office for application materials and the deadline.

## SELECTION GUIDELINES:

The following qualities will be taken into consideration in the selection process:

- D.C. Everest graduating senior
- Student must have been involved in at least two extracurricular activities either in school or out
- Carrying a 2.5 GPA or greater
- Displaying characteristics of generosity, loyalty, inclusiveness, respectfulness, and camaraderie
- Financial need will be only be considered in the selection process as a tie breaker

## **SELECTION PROCESS:**

The Scholarship Selection Committees of DCE has been designated to serve as the selection committee for this scholarship. The Community Foundation will monitor the selection process.

Members of the immediate families of any of the Selection Committee members shall be eligible to apply with the provision that the related member not serve on the committee during the year in which the application is considered.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT AND PAYMENT:**

If available, a member of the BYFL will make the presentation of the scholarship award at the schools' senior high awards ceremonies. If not available, a representative of the Community Foundation or high school will make the presentation.

The recipients will receive a congratulatory letter from the Community Foundation after the awards ceremony, instructing them on how to receive their scholarship funding.

Payment will be sent directly to the school the student is registered to attend in the fall. The student must provide proof of registration to the Community Foundation office for payment to be initiated.

## **MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE A DONATION:**

For more information on the BYFL – its history and upcoming events – you can visit their website at [www.byfl.net](http://www.byfl.net). There is a link on the website if you are interested in making a donation to the fund which is administered within the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin.

Link to make a donation: <https://www.cfoncw.org/index.cfm?pid=16&pageTitle=Online-Giving&chosenfund=487>.

For more information, you can contact the Community Foundation office:



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