MITCHELL METAL PRODUCTS SCHOLARSHIP FUND



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BACKGROUND

The Mitchell Metal Products Scholarship/Grant Fund was established within the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin in April of 2003. Earnings from the fund are distributed annually to fund scholarship grants to graduates of Merrill High School, who show an interest in pursuing a post-secondary education in industrial/vocational studies, and have been accepted for admission and plan to attend an accredited college, university, or technical training school as a full-time student within six (6) months after receiving the award. Scholarships will be awarded based on the student's financial need and academic achievements. The industrial/vocational education area of study shall be defined as, but not necessarily be restricted to, metal working, general mechanics, home economics, electronics, computer controlled equipment, or laser technology.

APPLICATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

Applications for the Mitchell Metal Products Scholarship will be made available to the Merrill High School guidance office by December 31. Candidates for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- A graduating senior from Merrill High School
- Planning to pursue a post-secondary education in an industrial/vocational education field of study as a full-time student within six months of graduation from high school.

SELECTION GUIDELINES

A Selection Committee, named by the Community Foundation, will meet annually to review applications based on the following guidelines. Applicants must demonstrate:

- Concern for the industrial/vocational arts area of study;
- Distinguished leadership or participation in one or more student organizations at Merrill High School;
- Potential to make a contribution to improving conditions within our society;
- Above average academic aptitude, which reflects distinguished effort for his or her ability.

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SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee will meet in April to review student applications provided by Merrill High School, and to interview potential recipients. All applicant information must be kept in the strictest confidence and must not be discussed outside the committee. The Selection Committee may include, but is not be limited to:

- An elected office holder of the City of Merrill or any township within the Merrill Area Public School District;
- Administrator or faculty from the industrial arts department of Merrill High School;
- Merrill Area Public School District resident;

- Persons engaged in business in the Merrill Area Public School District;
- Officers of financial institutions in the Merrill Area Public School District;
- Clergy in the Merrill Area Public School District;
- Practicing machinists, draftsmen, or engineers in the Merrill Area Public School District;
- Representation from the Merrill Community Foundation Board of Directors

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

Announcement of this scholarship will be made at the Merrill Senior High School Senior Awards Ceremony. The recipient will receive a congratulatory letter from the Community Foundation after the ceremony, instructing them on how to initiate the scholarship payment.

Scholarship funds will be paid by the Community Foundation directly to the school the student will be attending after they have provided proof of registration to the Community Foundation office. Grant monies may be used for tuition, fees, or to purchase required textbooks or materials needed at the educational institution attended by the recipient.

CONTINUED FUNDING

With the advice of the Selection Committee, scholarship awards can be renewed for one additional year.

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