



## **Walt and Margret Jackson Colorado State Eagles Scholarship Fund**

### **1. Amount of Fund**

- A. Five hundred dollars per scholarships are awarded, depending on the total contributions made by the participating local Aeries and Auxiliaries to the State of Colorado Aerie and Auxiliary Scholarship Fund.
- B. If a balance remains after all applicants are considered and awards presented, all remaining funds shall be earmarked by the Colorado State Secretary for future scholarships or for use as otherwise recommended to the State Auxiliary and Auxiliary by the Scholarship Committee.

### **2. Eligibility**

- A. Sons, stepsons, daughters, stepdaughters, children of legal guardians of members or members themselves are eligible to apply for a scholarship provided that the member or parent of the applicant must be a member in good standing in their respective Aerie or Auxiliary to be eligible to apply for a scholarship.
- B. Sons, stepsons, daughters, stepdaughters, children of legal guardians of deceased members shall be eligible to apply for a scholarship for a period of five years after the member's death, provided that the member was in current paid-up status at the time of the member's death.
- C. Scholarship applicants can submit PRINTED or TYPED application for the Scholarship Committee Chairman on the prescribed state forms and attachments thereto.
- D. Previous winners of a scholarship from the fund are not eligible to apply.

### **3. Application**

- A. The scholar application format shall be developed by the Scholarship Committee and shall contain, as a minimum, the following requirements:
  - a. Three (3) character references (cannot be from family members or relatives)
  - b. A certification by the Secretary of the local Aerie or Auxiliary with seal that the applicant is a son, stepsons, daughter, stepdaughter, ward of a current paid-up member or current paid-up member. In the case of a deceased member, the date of the member's death and proof of guardianship is required if applicable.
  - c. In the case of legal wards, proof of guardianship is required.
  - d. A one hundred (100) word essay written by the applicant setting forth the reason that he or she desires to obtain a college degree or attend a trade school.
  - e. A document reflecting admittance to an accredited college, university in or out of the state of Colorado, or an accredited trade school within the state of Colorado. Correspondence classes are not considered for scholarship eligibility.
- B. Applications shall be in the hands of the scholarship committee not later than ten (10) days prior to the start of the annual Colorado State Convention. The Colorado State Convention start date shall be as indicated in the Colorado state calendar book and Colorado state newsletter. Late**



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**applications shall be disqualified and not considered for award of scholarships. Mailing postmarks shall not be considered as proof of timely submission.**

### **4. Scholarship Awarding Process**

- A. Applications shall be screened by the Scholarship committee for determination of the eligibility of each applicant.
- B. The Colorado State Aerie shall select the winners and alternate winners by lot from among the eligible, qualified applicants.
- C. The scholarship winner(s) shall be announced at the Colorado Fraternal Order of Eagles State Convention during the business session under committee reports. The recipient(s) shall receive the scholarship award letter at their home Aerie or Auxiliary.
- D. Incomplete applications shall be disqualified and shall not be considered for scholarship awards.**

### **5. Payment of the Scholarship Award**

- A. Scholarship checks shall be made in the name of the recipient and the accepting educational institution as indicated by the institutional acceptance letter submitted with the application. Scholarship checks shall be submitted by the Colorado State Secretary directly to the accepting college, university, or trade school.
- B. The scholarship shall be used to defray the cost of tuition, books, and fees at any accredited college, university, or trade school.
- C. Any money not used to defray the cost of tuition, books, and fees for the student shall be returned to the Colorado State Aerie.
- D. Unused scholarships shall be returned directly to the Colorado State Aerie.

### **6. Scholarship By-Law: Section 6.9**

Aeries and Auxiliaries that do not participate in raising funds for the State Scholarship program will be allowed to submit applications, but said applications will be held back until all participating Aerie and Auxiliary applications are filled. After participating applications are filled, and if there are monies left, the other applications will be drawn. This restriction will not apply to new Aeries and Auxiliaries for a period of two (2) years.