

**Poudre School District
2016 Local Scholarship Packet**



I, _____, give my permission to
(Please print student name & student ID number)

Fort Collins High School to submit a copy of my transcript to the appropriate scholarship committees/donors as required and hereby verify that all information included in this application is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature

Parent Signature

(If student is under 18 years of age, parent signature is required.)

Application deadline: January 27, 2016, 3:30 p.m.

Late applications **will not** be accepted.

TIPS ON APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

When filling out a scholarship application, your goal should be to present yourself in the best way possible. Applying for a scholarship is much like applying for employment. You need to:

1. Read the directions completely before you begin
2. Understand the criteria of each scholarship to ensure your eligibility
3. Give yourself ample time to do your best work
4. Be accurate and descriptive
5. Impress your audience
6. Be neat and organized in your written presentations
7. Use correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, and manner of expression

The better you present yourself; the better your chances are of receiving a scholarship.

1. Complete Application:

- The PSD Local Scholarship application can be found on the Fort Collins High School website:
 - Student Services/Scholarships
- The application is a fillable form in .pdf format
 - **Save the application to your computer first, then open it in Adobe Reader**
- Type directly on the form in Adobe Reader
- Signatures must be handwritten
- If you do not have internet access you may pick up a hard copy of the application in Student Services
 - If you are submitting a hard copy of the application **type or neatly print in black ink only**
 - Neatness of the application is taken into consideration

2. Required Essay & Additional Essays:

- Required Essay Topic: *What are your post-secondary plans and career goals and why have you made these choices?*
 - Limit the required essay to the equivalent of 2 pages, typed and double-spaced
- Some scholarships require their own essay, read the criteria for those specific scholarships carefully (scholarships that require additional essays are listed on page 4)
 - Failure to submit such essays may disqualify you from applying for that scholarship
 - Include your name and the name of the scholarship at the top of all essays

3. Letters of Recommendation (two required):

- When requesting letters of recommendation give the person writing the recommendation **at least 2 weeks** to complete your letter
- Make sure the person who is writing your letter of recommendation has a copy of your resume (Academic Profile)
- Letter of Recommendation instructions and Academic Profiles can be found in the Student Services office and on the Student Services website:
 - **Student Services/College & Career Planning**
 - Scroll down to Post-Graduate Planning/Senior Class Information/Academic Profile
- If a staff member has uploaded a letter to Naviance for you print the teachers name on the checklist (page 4, F) to release their confidential letter for your application

4. Application Checklist:

- Use the Application Checklist provided on page 4 of this packet when assembling your application
- Be sure you have included all required essays and forms in addition to the basic application
- Your packet will be copied and distributed to the committees of scholarships you have marked

5. Required Survey:

- Complete the **mandatory** survey (see link at the bottom of the checklist on page 4)
- **Mark only the scholarships that you are applying for**
 - This step is very important as this is how your application will be processed

6. Follow these Instructions:

- Print on one side only & paperclip your packet together
- Do not:
 - 3-hole punch
 - Staple
 - place in a binder
 - use page protectors
 - attach resume or photos
- Return completed application to Mrs. Lae, in Student Services, by January 27, 2016, 3:30 p.m.
 - This deadline is strict and late applications **will not** be accepted

Please note:

- Be patient as the process of reviewing and awarding scholarships can be lengthy. Regret letters will be sent via email. Notification of scholarship recipients will be completed by the first of May.
- FRCC Ascent Program Students only: Some scholarships are not applicable if you are accepted into the FRCC Ascent Program.

**Scholarships marked with a double asterisk are offered to students at Fort Collins High School students only

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION LISTING

The following is a listing of local scholarships with information and special instructions on each. The student submits ONE APPLICATION in consideration for all of the following scholarships.

If the application turned in is incomplete (i.e. without the required essay, survey, etc.), the application will not be considered. A student must be eligible for each specific scholarship they check. Applications for students who do not meet all criteria of a particular scholarship will not be considered.

Place an "X" beside each scholarship for which you wish to apply and for which you are eligible.

Please be advised that these scholarships are offered at the sole discretion of our generous donors and the following information regarding these scholarships was provided by these donors. Donors may cancel the scholarship or change the dollar amount at any time.

_____ **Alonzo Martinez Scholarship (additional statement required)**

Criteria:

- Awarded on academic standards
- Financial need
- Awarded only to a student of Spanish surname or Hispanic background
- Purpose is to encourage education beyond high school level
- Selection committee is composed of Alonzo Martinez American Legion Auxiliary members
- **Student statement of Hispanic origin is required-mother's surname is adequate**
- To be used at Colorado schools only

Amount: Varies each year depending on donations and number of applicants

_____ **Ben Dawson Memorial Scholarship****

Criteria:

- Applicant must be a FCHS graduating senior
- Exhibiting leadership qualities and a well-rounded personality
- Selection is based on ambition and ideals of the student
- Scholarship is for college freshman year only

Amount: \$500 scholarship

_____ **Brian Ball Memorial Scholarship****

Criteria:

- Must be a graduating FCHS senior
- Involved in school and community activities
- Planning to study in a helping profession (no engineering or computer based majors)
- Other scholarships may be restricting

Amount: \$500 scholarship

_____ **Compton Music Award****

Criteria:

- Award is to be made annually to a FCHS graduating senior who is a member of the A Cappella Choir
- The nominee must have been a member of the A Cappella Choir for two years, or in the opinion of the Selection Committee have a one year equivalency in another school

- The nominee must be an excellent vocalist, must be a superior citizen, must demonstrate the ability to do college level course work and select one of the following:
 1. To study music as a major or minor **or**
 2. Become a member of a college concert choir **or**
 3. Take private voice lessons in college
 4. Must be enrolled and attend a college/university with an accredited School of Music
 5. A prodigy might use this assistance at a specialized school of music

Amount: \$500 scholarship

_____ “Doc” Pike “All Ways” a Lambkin Memorial Scholarship**

Criteria:

- Recipient will have achieved a balance of excellence in Athletics, Academics, and Activities
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Must have demonstrated outstanding participation in either 2 sports and 1 co-curricular activity **or** 2 co-curricular activities and 1 sport
- Must demonstrate attributes admired, respected and demonstrated by Doc Pike: honesty, integrity, hard work, compassion, dedication, humor, respect for diversity, and school spirit
- Must have made a positive difference at Fort Collins High School through leadership, involvement, and influence
- Attendance at an **in-state college** is required of the recipient

Amount: \$1,000 non-renewable

_____ Don Unger Scholarship

Criteria:

- Student must have participated in the **AVID Program (Advancement Via Individual Direction)**

Amount: \$1,500 scholarship

_____ Elevations Foundation AVID Scholarship

- Student must have participated in the **AVID Program (Advancement Via Individual Direction)**

Amount: \$1,500

_____ Elks Academic Scholarship

Criteria:

- Based on scholarship, leadership, and financial need, although need is not a major selection criterion and should not deter application
- To be used at any accredited degree-granting University or College
- Renewable for a second year
- Alternates will be selected
- Selection committee consists of counselors and educators who are Elks members
- Top applicants will interview at the Elks Club

Amount: \$1,000 (\$500/semester) Renewable for one year, multiple scholarships offered

_____Elks Vocational Scholarship

Criteria:

- Based on scholarship, leadership, financial need and a well-defined plan for technical or other vocational employment
- For one year to further vocational training only at a two year community or junior college or a certified vocational school
- Alternates will be selected
- Selection committee consist of Elks members, top applicants will interview at the Elks Club

Amount: \$600 (\$300/semester), multiple scholarships offered

_____Elmer C. “Luke” Luther Memorial Scholarship**

Criteria:

- Must be a FCHS graduating senior exhibiting leadership qualities and financial need
- Applicants must be planning to enter the business and/or mathematics fields
- The FCHS business faculty will choose the recipient

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship

_____Engelhardt & Associates Family Dentistry Scholarship

Criteria:

- Must be a driven individual who is seeking to pursue a career in the dental field (Dental Assistant, Dental Hygienist, Dental Administrator, Dentist)
- GPA 2.5 or higher
- The top applicants will be asked to make a 2 to 3 minute video explaining what drives them to be a part of the dental industry and why they feel they would be a great candidate for this scholarship
- To be used at any accredited college or university

Amount: \$1,500

_____Fort Collins Children’s Theatre Scholarship (additional essay required)

Criteria:

- Must have committed time & talents to your high school and the Fort Collins Community
- Preferred, but not required to have had personal involvement with *The Fort Collins Children’s Theatre*
- To be used at any accredited college or university
- Must major in Communication Arts (including Music, Theatre, Screen Writing, Film & TV production, Directing, Recording or Technical Theatre)
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Submit resume of performance activities in and out of school or experience relative to current endeavors
- You may submit a video interview limited to 3 minutes; however, this is not required
- If you have been involved with the *Fort Collins Children’s Theatre*, include a statement of 200 words or less expressing why you would recommend *The Fort Collins Children’s Theatre* to others in your essay

Amount: \$750 scholarship

Front Range Center for Brain & Spine Surgery

Outstanding Senior Science Student Award

Criteria:

- Awarded to two Poudre School District seniors that display dedication to Science academically with an interest in pursuing a future in Science
- One student will be chosen to receive \$1,000 based exclusively on his or her academics and essay
- Three to five additional students that submit the required essay will be chosen to submit a video testimonial. Submitted video testimonials will be presented to the community via online platforms (TBD) and the second scholarship recipient will be chosen based on a combination of community votes and his or her essay
- Top finalists will be scheduled for an interview

Amount: \$2,000 (\$1,000 per student)

J. Fred Kapp Memorial Scholarship (additional essay required)

Criteria:

- Graduating senior from Fort Collins area schools
- Parents/guardians must be of Jewish faith with student self-identifying as Jewish
- Consistent service to community-at-large (mitzvot); acceptance to institution of higher learning--college, community college, or technical school (kavannah)
- 3.0 GPA or explanation of unusual circumstances
- Essay on post-secondary plans, career goals; **give examples of your involvement with the Jewish Community at-large**, should be no more than 2 pages, typed and double-spaced.
- Personal interview with scholarship committee from Congregation Har Shalom.

Amount: \$500 scholarship

Jim Lombardi Memorial Education Scholarship

Criteria:

- Jim Lombardi was a well-known Physical Education teacher with Poudre School District for many years. He lived and died with a passion for fitness, wellness and recreation. After his death while on a mountain climbing expedition, the Jim Lombardi Memorial Scholarship was established for a PSD senior entering an accredited college or university and majoring in Physical Education, Health Education, or Recreation
- 3.2 GPA or higher

Amount: \$500 scholarship

Julia M. Luther Memorial Scholarship**

Criteria:

- Must be a FCHS graduating senior exhibiting leadership qualities and financial need
- Must be planning to enter the education field, preferably in the English/Language Arts area
- The FCHS Language Arts faculty will choose the recipient

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship

_____Lena & Evelyn Traut Memorial Scholarship

Criteria:

- Awarded to a Poudre School District senior
- 3.5 GPA or higher
- Must participate in high school activities; plan to enter field of education as a teacher, preferably elementary and attend an **in-state** college or university after high school graduation

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships

_____Lise Gausman Memorial Scholarship (additional essay required)**

Criteria:

- A senior(s) interested in pursuing a degree at any university or college
- Financial need may be considered as a factor for selection
- 3.25 GPA or higher
- A one to two page essay reflecting your views on what it means to you that one should “truly LIVE each and every moment of your precious life” is required

Amount: \$500

_____Manuel Cordova Memorial Scholarship

Criteria:

- 3.2 GPA or higher
- Must be enrolled at a 2 or 4 year accredited Colorado School, based on financial need

Amount: Amount Varies

_____Martha Scott Trimble Memorial Scholarship – Colorado State University

Criteria:

- Must be a **female** senior in attendance at one of the 5 Fort Collins high schools
- Must live within the Fort Collins city limits; must have continuously attended school in the Poudre School District (at a PSD school) since she started public education
- Must be planning to attend CSU in a liberal arts field of study
- 3.5 GPA or higher
- Selection committee will be used to determine the recipient from pool of applicants submitted by each high school. The scholarship custodian will establish renewal of scholarship moneys beyond the first year of attendance at college.

Amount: \$3,000 with possible renewal beyond the first year

_____Martha Scott Trimble Memorial Scholarship – University Of Colorado

Criteria:

- Must be a **female** senior in attendance at one of the 5 Fort Collins high schools
- Must live within the Fort Collins city limits; must have continuously attended school in the Poudre School District (at a PSD school) since she started public education
- Must be planning to attend CU in a liberal arts field of study
- 3.5 GPA or higher
- Selection committee will be used to determine the recipient from pool of applicants submitted by each high school. The scholarship custodian will establish renewal of scholarship moneys beyond the first year of attendance at college.

Amount: \$2,000 with possible renewal beyond the first year

_____ Martha Scott Trimble/McCormick Memorial Scholarship – Colorado State University

Criteria:

- Applicant may be **either male or female** and must be planning on attending CSU in the Fall of 2016
- Must have attended a Poudre School District school at least 10 of 13 years (K-12)
- Applicant must reside within 20 miles of Fort Collins
- Scholarship may be used for tuition and expenses

Amount: \$6,300 scholarship, renewable each year

_____ Matthew G. Bailey Memorial Scholarship

Matthew G. Bailey was a 1987 graduate of Fort Collins High School. Matt's main interests were art, photography, geography, language (primarily Japanese), and horticulture. He attended Larimer County Voc-Tech Center, Colorado Mountain College in Glenwood Springs, the Sony Language School in Nagoya, Japan before going to Arizona State University. In his senior year at ASU, Matt was killed in an automobile accident while on an ASU geology field trip in 1998. He was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree magna cum laude, posthumously later that year. This scholarship honors Matt and his thirst for learning and his interest in other cultures.

Criteria:

- Must enroll in Front Range Community College (Larimer County) in the same year as graduation, and enroll in one of the certificate or degree programs.
- Financial need may be a consideration

Amount: \$2,000 for tuition and fees over two semesters. Must maintain a 2.5 GPA at the end of the first semester

_____ Megan Marie Nuttall McGrew Memorial Scholarship (additional essay required)**

Criteria:

- Play a woodwind instrument and intend to participate in a college music program (need not major in music)
- Financial need considered, but not a determining factor
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Essay on what role music plays in your life is required. The essay should be no more than the equivalent of 2 pages, typed and double-spaced.

Amount: \$500 scholarship

_____ OtterBox & OtterCares Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship (additional essay required)

Criteria:

- Applicant must be from **ANY** of the high schools located in Fort Collins
- Must be goal oriented, self-motivated, exemplify an entrepreneurial spirit, with plans to attend a University, College, Community College, or Vocational school in Colorado
- Please submit an essay describing the vision of what it is you *really* desire for your future and how entrepreneurship will help you achieve what you desire. The essay should be typed, double spaced, and a length of 1-2 pages
- The top applicants will be asked to participate in a brief interview

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship, multiple awarded

_____ PASE (Poudre Association of School Executives) Education Focus Scholarship

Criteria:

- Scholarship has 2 priority tiers. When the first is satisfied at a school, the 2nd level is not awarded
 - First priority – Scholarship awarded to children of PASE members
 - Second priority – Scholarship awarded to any prospective student who wants to work in public education and is pursuing college coursework to support that career pathway
 - 3.0 GPA and be active in extra-curricular school and community activities
 - Financial need considered when everything else is equal

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship (maximum of 6 scholarships given out)

_____ Poudre Education Association Scholarship (additional essay required)

Criteria:

- Selection is made by the *PEA Scholarship Committee*
- Selection is based on scholarship (GPA), citizenship, service to the school and community, and need (including previously awarded scholarships)
- Essay: How an educational experience has made an impact or difference in your life? The essay should be no more than the equivalent of 2 pages, typed and double-spaced. You do not have to plan on being a teacher to apply for this scholarship

Amount: Amount varies. One scholarship will be awarded to a senior from each PSD high school.

_____ Poudre Retired School Employees' Association Memorial Scholarship (additional essay required)

Criteria:

- Must enroll in Front Range Community College (Larimer County) in the same year as graduation, and enroll in one of the certificate or degree programs. Selection is by Poudre Retired School Employees' Association Committee
- Essay: Write an essay reflecting on the following three questions:
 1. What is a challenging personal situation that you have encountered and how did you overcome it?
 2. What are your goals and dreams?
 3. What are you the most proud of in your school career?
- If possible, have your letters of recommendation from a teacher/s in the area of study that you hope to pursue

Amount: \$1,200 for tuition and fees over two semesters. Must maintain a 2.5 GPA at end of first semester

_____ Ron Sisson Memorial Scholarship**

Ron Sisson was a former principal at Fort Collins High School. He retired in 1987 and was an educator for over 33 years. Ron was a three sport athlete during his high school career and went on to play baseball at CSU. Ron's passion for athletics drove him to coach and officiate for many years.

Criteria:

- Recipient must be a two to three sport athlete
- Recipient must be interested in teaching and/or coaching
- Must be planning to attend a college/university in Colorado
- GPA 3.0 or higher
- One letter of recommendation must be from a coach

Amount: \$1,000

Rotary Club Scholarship

Criteria:

- To be used at CSU or Front Range Community College (Fort Collins Campus only)
- Selection based on need, scholarship, community service, and leadership **all weighted equally**
- Must include your financial statement
- Rotary Selection Committee will interview top applicants
- Additional information required for semi-finalists. (Each high school submits 10 - semi-finalists).

Amount: Up to \$2,500 scholarships to CSU or FRCC. (\$1,250/semester if 3.0 GPA is maintained.)

Sandra Kobelt Hau Memorial Scholarship (additional essay required)

Sandy Hau passed away on July 4, 2009 after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer. She spent more than 25 years passionately volunteering in the Poudre School District, where all 5 of her children graduated from Fort Collins High School.

Criteria:

- Applicant may be from any of the high schools located in Fort Collins
- He or she should exemplify leadership, be goal oriented, self-motivated, have participated in a sport or the Arts
- Plan to attend a University, College, Community College, or Vocational school in the Fall of 2016
- Essay describing how your life will influence and make an impact in the lives of those around you

Amount: Three \$500.00 scholarships & one \$1,000 scholarship

Shepardson Stem Educating All Children Scholarship (additional essay required)

This scholarship recognizes Dr. Mary Kay Sommers' passion for children and her life-long commitment to innovative education. Its purpose is to support a Poudre School District Graduate who has a passion for children and education in becoming a teacher.

Criteria:

- 3.25 GPA or higher
- Volunteer time working with and for children, evidence of leadership skills
- Interested in becoming a teacher at any level
- Financial need may become a deciding factor
- All applicants who attended Shepardson will automatically make it to the committee review
- **Required: Must answer the following 5 questions (double space answers)**
 1. Why do you want to pursue a career in teaching?
 2. If you could change education in any way to make it more successful for all students (PK-12), what would you do?
 3. Describe someone or an event that highly influenced you in your interest to pursue teaching.
 4. Educators need to be advocates for providing the best education they can for all students. Describe something you feel strongly about that resulted in action on your part.
 5. What areas of education do you find highly compelling and why?

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship

Wayne Bromley Memorial Scholarship for Future Math Educators (additional essay required)

Wayne Bromley worked in Poudre School District for 24 years. He was a teacher and department chair at Boltz Junior High School and Fort Collins High School. He also served for 5 years as the District Mathematics Coordinator. He passed away after a long battle with cancer on December 23, 2009. Wayne was passionate

about mathematics education. To honor that passion, this scholarship will support a senior in PSD who seeks a career as a mathematics teacher.

Criteria:

- Open to a senior at any Poudre School District high school who has expressed interest and intent to enroll in a mathematics teacher education program in Fall 2016
- A 300-500 word essay: What inspires you to choose mathematics education as a career and why you believe you will be a successful mathematics teacher?
- One letter of recommendation from a current or former math teacher that addresses your interest in mathematics and potential for success

Amount: \$1,000 scholarship

Please remember:

- Print on one side only and paperclip your packet together
- Do not:
 - 3-hole punch, staple, place in a binder, use page protectors, include resumes or photos
- Return completed application to Mrs. Lae, in Student Services, by January 27, 2016, 3:30 p.m.
 - This deadline is strict and late applications **will not** be accepted

Local Scholarship Application

Select your high school from the drop down menu above

_____ M F PSD ID# _____
Last Name First Name M. I. Gender

Address _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Personal Email _____ Student Cell Phone _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names _____

Parent 1 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Parent 2 Occupation _____ Employer _____

Do you live within Poudre School District boundaries? _____ Fort Collins city limits? _____

EDUCATIONAL PLANS

A. Are you applying to an in state college? Yes No

B. What is your proposed major or area of study? _____

C. (Optional) If there are unusual family, personal, or economic circumstances or responsibilities within your family which should entitle you to special consideration, please make note of this. You may attach a separate page if necessary:

>>>>TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNSELING<<<<

Class rank _____ of _____ Cumulative GPA _____ Adjusted GPA _____

Highest ACT Composite Score _____ Highest SAT Composite Score _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

List place of employment, give a brief description of your duties and list any special recognitions, if applicable.
 (Put an "X" the appropriate box for the grade that you held this job)

Employer	Dates From/To	Hours /week	Job Duties	Recognitions	9	10	11	12

FINANCIAL STATEMENT- optional, unless applying for needs based scholarships

Parents' Annual Income (Gross) (Please select one):

- Below \$30,000 \$50,000-\$75,000 \$100,000-\$150,000
 \$30,000-\$49,000 \$76,000-\$99,000 \$150,000 and above

Number of family dependents (include yourself) _____

Number of immediate family members attending post- secondary (college, vocational school, etc.) next school year (include yourself) _____

Applicant's Savings \$ _____

Please list schools where you have applied:

1. _____ 3. _____ 5. _____
 2. _____ 4. _____ 6. _____

Applicant's anticipated expenses (include tuition and fees, books and supplies, room and board, etc.) per year. Please check nearest estimate:

- \$500-\$2,000 \$6,000-\$8,000 \$12,000-\$15,000
 \$2,000-\$4,000 \$8,000-\$10,000 \$15,000-\$20,000
 \$4,000-\$6,000 \$10,000-\$12,000 Above \$20,000

 Student Signature

 Date

 Parent/Guardian Signature - Required for need-based scholarships! Date