

Name of Applicant _____

Completed application with attachments due April 18, 2013.

Vidor Schools Foundation, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION 2013

Scholarships that require 4 year Baccalaureate Degree

Beatrice Bellard Demary Memorial Scholarship-\$1,000

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

Matthews-Goeke Education Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information Required

The Stacie Lynd Memorial Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

**Scholarships that require 4 year Baccalaureate Degree
or 2 year Associates Degree**

Five (5) Vidor Schools Foundation, Inc. Scholarships-\$1,000 each

Personal Financial Information Required

Five (5) Curtis Smith, Sr. Memorial Scholarship-\$1,000 each

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

Jordan Millican Memorial Scholarship-\$1,000

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

The Charlene Lindsey Memorial Scholarship in Nursing-\$1,000

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

Kenneth Ivan "Butch" Croak Memorial Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information NOT required.

Roxie Madding Memorial Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information NOT required

Katie Pittman Memorial Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information NOT required

**Scholarship that requires Accredited Certification Program,
2 year Associates Degree or 4 year Baccalaureate Degree**

Terrell Sloan Holland III (Trace) Memorial Scholarship-\$500

Personal Financial Information NOT required

To Complete Vidor Schools Foundation Scholarship Application Checklist:

 Complete the attached application. Fill in each blank and provide all the requested information. The Scholarship Committee may not consider incomplete applications.

 Transcript (needed for SAT scores, ACT scores, THEA scores Compass scores and GPA)

 Attach two character reference letters. A teacher, counselor or principal required for one. Other can be by minister or employer, etc. The letters should attest to your good citizenship and your high moral and ethical character.

 Evidence of Financial Need. Some of the scholarships served by this application require evidence of financial need. If applying for the **Matthews-Goeke Education Scholarship** or one of the **Vidor Schools Foundation scholarships**, **attach a copy of your/your parents' most recent Federal Internal Revenue Service tax form.** Failure to attach the relevant tax form and other required financial information will automatically disqualify you for the scholarships mentioned above.

 Return **completed application** with all required attachments to the senior counselor by **April 18, 2013**

Scholarships Requirements

VIDOR SCHOOLS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP-\$1,000 each

POLICY:

The Vidor Schools Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the goal of quality education in the Vidor Independent School District. In keeping with this goal, the foundation has established five or more \$1,000 scholarships. It is the hope of the foundation that by showing a commitment to ever-growing financial support of students for higher education, students will be encouraged to stay in school and excel with higher education as an achievable goal.

The scholarships will be awarded annually in the amount of \$1,000 each to a single recipient and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School or the VISD AIM Center whom has been a resident student for a minimum of three consecutive semesters beginning the junior year, unless you are a three-year graduate;
2. A student who demonstrates capability of doing creditable college work as reflected in their class ranking (top 50%);
3. A grade point average of at least a C;
4. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
5. A student who demonstrates financial need according to the required information; copy of parent/guardian current W-2;
6. A student who plans to enroll as a full time student in an associate or baccalaureate degree program at any accredited college or university; and
7. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by two letters of reference attached to this application.

BEATRICE BELLARD DEMARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$1000

POLICY:

The Beatrice Bellard Demary Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation scholarship established as a contribution to the students of Vidor for assistance in obtaining higher education. Mrs. Beatrice Bellard Demary established it as an affirmation of her belief in the value of education and in the contribution to others.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$1,000.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School who has been a resident student for a minimum of three year consecutive semesters beginning the junior year;
2. A student who demonstrates capability of doing creditable college work as reflected in their class ranking (top 50%);
3. A student who plans to be a candidate for a four-year baccalaureate degree program;
4. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
5. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of reference attached to this application.**

STACIE LYND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$500

POLICY:

The Stacie Lynd Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation scholarship established in memory of Stacie Lynd. It was established by the Moore, Landrey, Garth, Jones, Burmeister and Hulett, L.L. P. law firm; Jimmy D. "Skip" Hulett, Jr., C.E. Roth, Steve Williams, the Lynd family and friends.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A student who demonstrates capability of doing creditable college work as reflected in their class ranking (top 50%);
3. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
4. A student who plans to be a candidate for a four-year baccalaureate degree program; and
5. A student, who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of reference attached to this application.**

MATTHEWS – GOEKE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP-\$500

POLICY:

The Matthews – Goeke Education Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation scholarship established in memory of Henry Arthur Matthews and Willie Vaughn Matthews, William John Goeke and Vesta Ward Goeke. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie L. Matthews established this scholarship to honor the memory of their parents.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount or \$500.00 to a single recipient and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School who has been a resident student for a minimum of three consecutive semesters beginning the junior year;
2. A student who demonstrates capability of doing creditable college work as reflected in their class ranking (top 50%);
3. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
4. A student who demonstrates a financial need according to information he/she provides on his/her application; copy of parent/guardian current W-2;
5. A student who plans to be a candidate for a four-year baccalaureate degree program in the field of education; and
6. A student, who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of reference attached to this application.**

CURTIS SMITH, SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000 each

POLICY:

The Curtis Smith, Sr. Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established in memory of Curtis Smith, Sr. by his son, Curtis Smith Jr.

The Curtis Smith Memorial Scholarships will be awarded annually in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to a number of recipients to be determined by the Vidor Schools Foundation, Inc.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
3. A recipient who is in the top one-half of the graduating class;
4. A student, who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of references attached to this application**; and
5. A student who plans to pursue either a two-year associate degree or a four-year baccalaureate degree programs.

JORDAN MILLICAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$1000

POLICY:

The Jordan Millican Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established in memory of Jordan Millican by his parents, Mike and Kaye Millican.

The Jordan Millican Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$1000 to a senior who has participated in the mock trial program.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A recipient who has participated in the mock trial program; and
3. A recipient who is a candidate for either the associate degree or the baccalaureate degree programs.

THE CHARLENE LINDSEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP NURSING -\$1000

The Charlene Lindsey Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation scholarship established in memory of Charlene Lindsey by her beloved husband; Benny C. Lindsey. Charlene Lindsey served the Vidor School District as a school nurse from 1966 to 1989.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. Recipients of the Charlene Lindsey Memorial Scholarship must score a least 900 on the SAT or equivalent on the ACT and be in the top one-half of the graduating class.
3. Recipient must be a candidate for either the associate degree program or the baccalaureate degree program in the field of nursing.

KENNETH IVAN “BUTCH” CROAK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$500

POLICY:

The Kenneth Ivan “Butch” Croak Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established in memory of Ivan “Butch” Croak by his family and friends. Mr. Croak served on the Vidor Independent School District Board of Trustees for 27 years.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A student in the top 50% of the graduating class;
3. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
4. A student who participated in the Vidor Pirate Athletic Program. Must have participated his/her senior year;
5. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of references to be attached to the application;**
6. A student who plans to pursue either a two-year associate degree or a four-year baccalaureate degree programs.

ROXIE MADDING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$500

POLICY:

The Roxie Madding Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established in memory of Roxie Madding by her family and friends.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School who was a student in Mrs. Madding’s class;
2. A student in the top 50% of the graduating class;
3. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
4. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of references to be attached to the application;** and
5. A student who plans to pursue either a two-year associate degree or a four-year baccalaureate degree programs.

TERRELL SLOAN HOLLAND III (TRACE) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - \$500

POLICY:

The Terrell Sloan Holland III (Trace) Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established by Terrell and JoAnnette Holland.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A student in the top 50% of the graduating class;
3. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of references to be attached to the application;**
4. A student who plans to pursue an Accredited Certification Program, a two-year associate degree or a four-year baccalaureate degree programs.
5. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17 or a copy of the TAKS, THEA or Compass Scores.

KATIE PITTMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - \$500

POLICY:

The Katie Pittman Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed scholarship established in memory of Katie Pittman by her family and friends.

The scholarship will be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a single recipient, and it will be granted to that recipient only once. The Scholarship Committee of the Vidor Schools Foundation will determine the scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. A graduating senior from Vidor High School;
2. A student in the top 50% of the graduating class;
3. A student who has a SAT score of at least 800 or an equivalent ACT score of 17;
4. A student who has maintained good citizenship, high moral and ethical character as reflected by **two letters of references to be attached to the application;** and
5. A student who plans to pursue either a two-year associate degree or a four-year baccalaureate degree programs.

4. **ASPIRATIONS AND GOALS:** What are your college and career goals?

5. **PERSONAL TRAITS:** Please describe your strengths.

Part III. (Please complete ONLY if applying for a Foundation or the Matthews-Goeke scholarships.)

1. Explain your need for financial assistance and include the amount of your total family income if applying for a scholarship that lists financial need as criteria.

2. Please attach a copy of last year's Federal Internal Revenue Service tax form **ONLY** if applying for a Vidor Schools Foundation Scholarship or the Matthews-Goeke Education Scholarship.

3. Please attach two letters of character reference (teacher, counselor or principal required for one).

I accept the rules and regulations of this application and understand that the decision of the Scholarship Committee is final. I understand that no applications/attachments will be returned and the Committee's deliberations, all information submitted to the Committee, and information about the scholarship selections will remain confidential. I certify that all information in this application is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

BEATRICE BELLARD DEMARY

Mrs. Beatrice Bellard Demary endows the Beatrice Bellard Demary Memorial Scholarship as a contribution to the students of Vidor for assistance in obtaining higher education. Mrs. Demary resided with her niece, Legatha Bellard Angele, on land north of Vidor obtained by her family as pioneer settlers. She was born June 13, 1907, near her home. Her parents, L.D. Bellard and Will Ann Philmon Bellard, had eight other children. Mrs. Demary's brothers are Sam, Bruce, and Harvey Bellard. Her sisters are Etta Owens, Zillie Green, May Lee, Bertie Bland, and Vada Frank. She was married to Henry Demary from 1936 until his death in 1974.

Mrs. Demary received training as a nurse in Orange and Galveston. During the course of her nursing career she worked as a dietary and pediatrics nurse. As a result of her nursing education and her vocation as a nurse, Mrs. Demary appreciated the importance of education and the utilization of education to make a person self-supporting and a contributing member of our community. From her parents she inherited an appreciation for the value of education and a desire to help others by sharing. She recalled her days as a young student when her father would visit the school to check on the progress of his children's education. She recounted memories of her mother sharing vegetables that she had grown in her garden. These family values and her own life experience had positively influenced her to endow this scholarship for the benefit of the students of Vidor.

As a good steward of her finances and a firm believer in investing funds, Mrs. Demary made an investment in the future of our community by providing resources to aid students in obtaining higher education. Although she recognized the values of her past that helped her into her position, she fully appreciated the role of education in shaping the future. Mrs. Demary has attained a keen realization that education is the key to students becoming productive members of our community.

The Beatrice Bellard Demary Memorial Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation, Inc. scholarship established by Mrs. Beatrice Bellard Demary as an affirmation of her belief in the value of education and in the contribution to others.

MATTHEWS – GOEKE

The Matthews – Goeke Education Scholarship endowed by Mr. Leslie L. Matthews and Mrs. Judy Goeke Matthews to honor the memory of their parents: Henry Arthur Matthews and Willie Vaughn Matthews; William John Goeke (pronounced Gerkey) and Vesta Ward Goeke.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie L. Matthews currently reside in Kilgore, Texas. They and their family have a long history of association and contribution to the Vidor community and the Vidor Independent School District, where Mr. Matthews served as high school principal and superintendent during the 1960's. Their daughter, Lori Lynn Matthews, presently a resident of Austin, Texas, attended the first and second grades at Vidor Elementary School. Their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Ann Williamson, is a teacher; her husband, Mr. Joe Williamson, has served previously as assistant superintendent and as superintendent of the Vidor School District since 1995.

As a result of this association and a desire to make an additional contribution to the students of Vidor, this scholarship is provided. It is an appropriate manner to honor the memory of their parents, who were strong believers in the principle of hard work, in the value of education, and in lending a helping hand to others.

Henry Arthur Matthews was born in 1898 in Austin, Texas. He spent the major portion of his life in the Coolidge and Hubbard, Texas areas, where he was a successful farmer and rancher. For a time he administered farm programs from an office in Groesbeck, Texas. In 1919, he married Willie Vaughn, who was born in 1899 in Cooper, Texas. They were the parents of three children: Jo Aline Matthews Gilliam, Chester Matthews, and Leslie L. Matthews. Willie Vaughn Matthews was a supportive wife and mother who served family. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews were thoughtful neighbors who were ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. They possessed a good sense of humor, lead active lives, and believed in the principle of hard work. Henry Matthews had many wise sayings, and people would often seek his advice and counsel on numerous matters.

William John Goeke was born in 1894 at Washington –on-the-Brazos, Texas. For a number of years he engaged in farming and later in contracting in the Coolidge, Texas area. In 1916, he married Vesta Ward, who was born in 1894 in Delia, Texas. They were the parents of five daughters: Jo Nell Goeke Ford of Gilmer, Texas; Juanita Goeke Spruiell of Arlington, Texas; Fay Goeke Harder of Red Oak, Texas; Billie Goeke Holland of Axtell, Texas; and Judy Goeke Matthews of Kilgore, Texas. Vesta Ward Goeke was a devoted wife and mother, and she was a Sunday school teacher all her adult years. Due to their support of education, during the decades of the 1920's and 1930's, Mr. and Mrs. Goeke provided housing and assistance for young teachers who were struggling to embark on life long careers in education and teaching. In 1949 the Goeke family moved to Dallas.

The Matthews – Goeke Education Scholarship is a permanently endowed Vidor Schools Foundation, Inc. scholarship established in loving memory of their parents and the principles in which they believed by the Matthews and Goeke families.

STACIE LYND

Stacie Lynd graduated from Lamar University May 12, 1982, with a Bachelor of Music degree and was immediately employed by Vidor Independent School District where she served as the music teacher for Vidor Elementary until her sudden death January 17, 1989.

At the time of her death, Stacie was working to complete her Masters Degree at Lamar University. Stacie, a serious and conscientious student, maintained a 4.0 grade average for her postgraduate work, and as a result of her quest for educational excellence, her Masters Degree was awarded posthumously in a special degree granting ceremony held September 11, 1989. Members of the Lynd family received the degree in Stacie's honor.

Stacie was a dedicated Christian. At her own expense, she traveled to Central America to teach Bible classes to children in Belize and Guatemala. This trip was made to benefit the children she loved even though she experienced adverse living conditions while there.

She was also dedicated to family, friends, and her school. She had a genuine love for music and loved teaching children and watching them learn. One of her greatest joys was watching her students perform at school and community concerts. They always did well and Stacie was like a proud parent.

Stacie taught the children many things other than music and voice. She taught them manners, good morals, and respect for their fellow students. She was also concerned about the children after the school day ended. Many times she gave money to families of students when she knew there was a need. On many occasions she furnished lunch for a child who did not have money or had lost it on the playground. Whatever the need of the children, Stacie met that need.

As an example of her involvement with the *whole* child, Stacie bought fabric and made choir robes for her students whom, without her help, could not have participated in the various musical performances. Another example of her devotion to her students involved a child who, because of a medical problem, could not participate in physical education classes. During P. E. class, the student would stay in the music room with Stacie; as a result, this student learned to sing because Stacie took the opportunity to teach her. The student developed a beautiful singing voice, performed in the school concerts, and after Stacie's death, the student won first place at a U.I.L. contest. Stacie Lynd's interest and exceptional teaching capabilities very positively impacted this student.

The Lynd Family is grateful indeed to have the opportunity to endow this scholarship in memory of Stacie Lynd, a wonderful daughter, friend, and teacher.

CURTIS SMITH, SR.

Curtis Smith, Sr. was born in Vidor, Texas in 1932 and lived there until his death in 1992. At an early age he joined his father, Byron Smith, in the dirt business where he operated heavy machinery and drove dump trucks. He loved land and acquired a number of properties throughout his lifetime.

Curtis Smith owned several entities connected with the dirt and building material business including Smith Materials Corp. of Beaumont, Texas and Cletex Materials Co. of Cleveland, Texas. Mr. Smith also owned Smith's Lake and operated it as a facility where families could enjoy an outing together.

Mr. Smith served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War. He was a very private and generous individual. He did many things for those who needed help along the way including assisting young persons attending college.

JORDAN MILLICAN

The Mike Millican family has created an endowed scholarship in memory of their son, Jordan Millican. Jordan graduated from Vidor High School in May of 2003 and died in June that same year.

Jordan was an active and enthusiastic participant in the school's mock trial program. He participated in U.I.L. contests for several years and enjoyed competing very much.

His mother, Kaye Millican, states, "Our son was a special, beautiful person and we want him to be remembered in a positive and appropriate manner." For this reason, Mike and Kaye established this scholarship in Jordan's memory.

The scholarship will be designated for a mock trial student since Jordan was an active member of this group and loved to compete and represent his school. The scholarship is designed to be awarded each year.

KENNETH IVAN “BUTCH” CROAK

Kenneth Ivan “Butch” Croak was born September 4, 1940 and lived his entire life in Vidor, Texas. He graduated from Vidor High School in 1958.

Ivan “Butch” Croak served the Vidor community in many ways throughout his life. He was President of both the Vidor Youth Baseball League and the Vidor Junior Football League for many years. Ivan served on the Vidor Independent School District Board of Trustees for 27 years. He believed in being involved in his community and being involved with kids.

After Ivan’s sudden death on August 5, 2006, the Vidor Independent School District Board of Trustees voted to name Pirate Stadium playing surface the “Kenneth Ivan Croak Field”.

The Croak family has been truly honored by the support offered to us from the community and the school district and is grateful to have the opportunity to endow a scholarship in memory of Kenneth Ivan “Butch” Croak, a true servant to his family and community.

ROXIE MADDING

Roxie Madding was born in Port Arthur, Texas on December 13, 1952 to Joseph and Betsy Minaldi. She grew up in the Mid-County area along with her four brothers. She had lived in Vidor for twenty-one years after teaching in Hamshire-Fannett ISD, Spring Branch ISD, Liberty ISD, and Liberty Christian Academy.

She dedicated her life to her family and to teaching school. She was an educator for more than thirty years, with twenty-one of those being spent as a teacher at Oak Forest Elementary School in Vidor. She was described as a leader, as someone who could always give direction to those uncertain of what to do, and as someone who was always there for those around her. Teaching was not only the ministry of her mind, but of her heart.

The Madding family has created a scholarship in Roxie’s memory, to benefit a student she taught.

KATIE PITTMAN

Katie Pittman was born in 1982 in Beaumont, Texas, and lived most of her seventeen years in Vidor. She was an excellent student, strong church member, and volunteer in her community. Katie sang and played piano as well as taking dance lessons for a number of years.

She was an honor student and a member of a variety of Vidor High organizations dedicated to serving others. She began her battle with leukemia in May of 1997. It ended in July 1999, just two days after her seventeenth birthday, when she closed her eyes for the last time. The last two weeks of her life were spent making sure friends and family knew that she loved them, and distributing her possessions so that they would have something by which to remember her.

A non-profit organization serving children with cancer, Heartbeats of Hope, was founded in 1999 in her memory. In addition to serving children and youth with cancer, Heartbeats of Hope recently endowed a scholarship in her memory through the Vidor Schools Foundation.