

The Community Foundation of Dickinson County, Inc.
2016 Scholarship Program

The Walter J. Finn Memorial Scholarship
One \$500 Scholarship

Although uneducated, Walter J. Finn was a brilliant man. He worked his entire adult life to provide for his family, and did so successfully and honorably. Frustration for him, in life, was not due to lack of intelligence, but lack of education. His wish would be to help anyone with the motivation to excel in life, to challenge themselves and others to succeed.

Scholarship Overview:

This scholarship is intended for graduating seniors or former graduates of Dickinson County High Schools, or GED recipients with ties to Dickinson County, who seek higher education for a trade, including but not limited to diesel mechanics, criminal justice, firefighting, EMTs, paramedics, nursing, and cosmetology.

Scholarship Requirements:

1. Applicants must be a graduating senior or graduate from a Dickinson County High School or GED recipient with ties to Dickinson County.
2. Applicants must plan to attend a two-year college, trade or technical college to obtain a degree or license in a trade, including, but not limited to: diesel mechanics, criminal justice, firefighting, EMT, paramedic, CNA, CMA, LPN or cosmetology.
3. The following information shall be included in the application:
 - a. Statement of your career goal. Include the job or occupation you want to be involved in and how you hope to achieve this goal (education, training, experience).
 - b. Statement of need.
 - c. Statement of how applicant, if selected to receive the scholarship, would “pay it forward.”
 - d. Three recommendations from non-relatives that address your good character: one from a teacher, one from an employer, and one from a neighbor. (Note: letters must be signed originals and not duplications.)
 - e. Current résumé detailing honors, activities and achievements.

Application Instructions:

Complete application cover page and attach all required information in the order listed. Return completed application to The Community Foundation of Dickinson County, Inc. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2016.

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Application Cover Page

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Parents' names _____

Spouse's name, if married _____

Year of High School Graduation/GED: _____ Name of high school: _____

Name of school you plan to attend: _____

Program of Study/Training: _____

Attach the following items to this cover page in the order listed:

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5. Current résumé detailing honors, activities, and achievements.

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The Community Foundation of Dickinson County, Inc.
P.O. Box 735, 213 N. Broadway Street
Abilene, KS 67410

Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline cannot be considered.