

**Gull Lake Community Schools
Foundation
Scholarship Program**

**2009/2010
APPLICATION
AND
INSTRUCTIONS
FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS**

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Instructions

Listed below are general instructions to apply for Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation scholarships offered to Gull Lake Middle School eighth graders. Please read **ALL DIRECTIONS** carefully before filling out your application.

Scholarship Cover Page and Application

- ⑦ Submit a separate Scholarship Cover Page and Application (copies are acceptable) for the scholarship for which you are applying.
- 5001 Complete the application in its entirety.
- 5002 Do not include resumes with your application.
- 5003 Type or print legibly in ink on all application materials.

Recommendation Form

- 5001 Make sure that the person(s) writing your recommendation(s) fills out the Scholarship Recommendation Form and includes it with the letter of recommendation.
- 5002 All recommendations must be submitted with your application(s).
- 5001 Please make sure to ask the person(s) writing the recommendation(s) at least two weeks in advance.**
- 5002 You may make as many copies of the form as needed.

Miscellaneous Information

- 5004** Use only paper clips or clamps to attach your application materials to each other. Do ***not use staples or binders.***
- 5005 Return your completed application and attachments to the Gull Lake Middle School Counselor's Office by 3:00 p.m. on April 14.

Questions?

Check with your counselor.

James Raymond Ryan Family Foundation Middle School Scholarship

This annual \$8,000 scholarship is renewable over a four year period for up to a maximum of \$32,000. The scholarship is offered to Gull Lake Middle School eighth graders who have demonstrated potential for academic success in preparation for college attendance. The applicants must demonstrate financial need.

Eligibility Criteria

- The applicant must be a Gull Lake eighth grader who is planning to enroll in a credited four year college or university as a full-time student after the completion of high school.
- The applicant must have attained a minimum of a 2.5 cumulative G.P.A. at the end of the first semester eighth grade.
- The applicant must demonstrate good citizenship and high moral character prior to and throughout the period of the scholarship.
- The applicant must have a cumulative 3.0 G.P.A. through the 1st semester of their senior year of high school.
- The applicant must continue to attend Gull Lake Community Schools & graduate from Gull Lake High School.
- The applicant must demonstrate financial need.
- In order for the scholarship to be renewed, the recipient must maintain a 2.5 annual G.P.A. as a full time college student.

Application Information

The following must be returned to the Gull Lake Middle School Counseling Office by April 14th:

- One copy of the Scholarship Application Cover Page
- One copy of the completed Scholarship Application
- A written recommendation from a Gull Lake Middle School teacher
- A written recommendation from an individual familiar with the applicant who is not a relative and is not a Gull Lake Middle School employee
- Fill out the attached financial statement.
- Prepare a written statement covering **all** of the following topics:
 - A brief statement about the job you think you would like to train for and the career training you plan to get.
 - A brief statement about your interests, activities and your best abilities.
 - Any information that would assist the selection committee in understanding the need for financial assistance.
 - A brief statement about why you deserve this scholarship.

Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation Scholarship Cover Page

I am applying for the James Raymond Ryan Family Foundation Gull Lake Middle School Scholarship.

I have fulfilled all of the requirements for application and am enclosing copies of each item as requested in the "Application Information" section of each scholarship description.

Applicant's Name (please print)

Applicant's Signature

Date

GULL LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Information

First/Middle/Last Name

Permanent Address

City/State/Zip

Date of Birth

Social Security No.

Phone

Email Address

Anticipated High School Graduation Date

Male

Female

Family Information (Provide the following information where applicable)

Name of father/stepfather/guardian

Address:

City/State/Zip

Occupation

Employer

Name of mother/stepmother/guardian

Address

City/State/Zip

Occupation

Employer

Check if applicable

Father deceased

Mother deceased

Parents

divorced

Ages of other children in your family

Middle School Information

Request that the Gull Lake Middle School Counseling Office provide a copy of your Middle School transcript and give your current GPA

School and Community Activities

Using only the space below, list extracurricular, community/volunteer work service, and other activities in which you have participated during Middle School

Activity

of Years

Leadership Positions, Awards, Recognition

Work Experience

Using only the space below, please list your paid or unpaid work experience during Middle School, beginning with your most recent positions.

Employer

Nature of Work

Dates

Hours/Week

Certification

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation Scholarship Recommendation Form

To the applicant: Please fill in your name, address, and the name of the scholarship for which you are applying before giving this form to the person you have asked for a recommendation.

Last/First/Middle Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Name of Scholarship

The student named on this form is applying for a scholarship and has asked you to provide the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation with any information you feel would be helpful in reviewing his/her application. You may be assured that the information will be considered confidential. If you are unable to complete this form by the deadline, please notify the applicant so that he/she may secure another reference.

Name of Reference

Phone

Signature of Reference

Date

When providing a recommendation, please do the following:

1. Write your letter of recommendation on the back of this form or on a separate sheet of paper. Please sign it and include it with this form in a sealed envelope.
2. Incorporate the following in your recommendation, unless requested otherwise by the specific scholarship criteria:
 - Compare this middle school student to others you have known.
 - Describe the characteristics/qualities you feel set this student apart.
 - Any special circumstances you feel are relevant.

Please return this form to the applicant in a **sealed envelope before April 12.**

All scholarship applications are due to the Gull Lake Middle School Counseling Office
no later than April 14.