



Unified Scholarship Directions Elensburg School District Education Foundation

Thank you for your interest in the Unified Scholarship Program! Following the directions listed below, you can apply for one or more scholarships by completing the attached form only once!

Questions? Mike McCloskey at 509-899-3168 (call or text) or mike.mccloskey@esd401.org

Please complete and submit the following in the order listed below:

• **SUBMIT IN A MANILLA ENVELOPE – NO BINDERS OR FOLDERS.**

• **NO FOLDS OR STAPLES!**

- Scholarship Checklist Sheet** identifying which scholarships you wish to be considered for
(Attached to this sheet)
- An Introduction Essay.** This essay must include the following paragraphs:
 - An introductory paragraph introducing yourself to the selection committee;
 - A paragraph about your academic achievements;
 - A paragraph about any co-curricular activities you participated in;
 - A paragraph describing any community service you have performed outside of school;
 - A paragraph sharing about any leadership experiences you have had;
 - A paragraph identifying what you would like to accomplish after high school;
 - One or more concluding paragraphs describing your goals, dreams, and passions.Also, the essay should include any additional paragraphs as required by specific scholarships. Additional required paragraphs should be clearly identified by underlined title prior to the paragraph(s) (e.g. For the Music Scholarship)
- Clearly Identified Statement of Financial Need:** Please provide a brief but adequate description of how you have contributed towards furthering your own education (employment history, etc). Also, please include information about estimated cost of tuition, estimated cost of housing, estimated parental contribution, estimated financial aid, any known scholarships, any specific or unusual circumstances which might help us to make our decision.
- Three Letters of Recommendation**, including:
 - A high school administrator, counselor or teacher;
 - One from a person who is not a family member or relative;
 - One from an employer, church leader, or community service organizer.
- An academic transcript.** (Most recent available; unofficial is acceptable. **Remove staple.**)
- A Resumé** and any additional information the scholarship sponsor requests -- See back of this application for list of scholarship participants and additional information to submit, if any.
- A copy** of the university, community college or trade school acceptance letter (**Study Club Only**)

Please submit the items listed above along with this application to be received by April 15th to:

Mike McCloskey, Morgan Middle School, 400 East First Ave., Ellensburg, WA 98926. Application packets can be mailed or hand delivered to the above address.

Electronic submissions should be sent to ellensburgedfoundation@gmail.com. Electronic submissions will receive a confirmation eMail. If you'd don't receive an eMail within a week of submitting your electronic application, please contact Mike McCloskey at mike.mccloskey@esd401.org.

If the 15th falls on a weekend, applications can be submitted the following Monday without penalty.