



## Scholarship Award 2021 Application Form POLICY #15-5

### PURPOSE

This scholarship program was established for Kneehill County residents enrolled in a post-secondary institution. The intent of this policy is to emphasize that education is not an end in itself, but instead is a means by which people become contributing members of society. Kneehill County recognizes the importance of an educated population to the future well-being of rural communities. This scholarship program is in support of rural students attending a university, college or trade school.

### AWARD VALUE

The award will be in the form of two scholarships valued at \$2,000 each.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicant must:

- Be a rural resident of Kneehill County.
- Be enrolled in their first year as full-time student at a recognized post-secondary institution.
- Have graduated with an Alberta High-School Diploma and have taken a minimum of 25 credits in final school year.

### SELECTION PROCESS

The selection committee shall consist of all current Kneehill County Councillors.

The recipients will be selected based upon the following criteria:

- 20% - Academic Achievement
- 50% - Written essay
- 30% - Letters of reference and contributions to school or community; leadership activities and personal achievements



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## APPLICATION PROCESS

Included with your completed Application form and signed Declaration:

- A written essay (maximum 1500 words). Essay topic will be determined by the CAO for each program year.
- Two written letters of reference (non-relative).
- List of contributions made to school or community, leadership activity and personal achievements.
- Current transcript.
- Confirmation of enrollment and acceptance into program at post-secondary institution.
- Headshot profile image for publicity. Preferably a graduation picture to be used if candidate is selected.

## ESSAY TOPIC

Please provide a written essay on the topic listed below. (Maximum 1500 words.)

**“How would you define community and the rural way of life? How do you feel that these may change in the future?”**

Your essay should do the following:

- Directly answer the question provided.
- Include examples or arguments supporting your answer.

Your essay should not:

- Include your contributions made to school and community, leadership activity and personal achievements.

## SEND YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Kneehill County  
C/O Sponsorship Program  
PO Box 400  
Three Hills, AB  
T0M 2A0

Or alternatively via email:  
execassist@kneehillcounty.com

*Please direct all application inquiries to:  
Carolyn Van der Kuil at 403-443-5541*

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 30 AT 4:30 P.M.**



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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rural Address: (Blue Sign) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Must be a Kneehill County Resident)

Social Insurance Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: Alberta Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**POST-SECONDARY STUDIES**

Name of Institution you plan on attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Date of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECKLIST**

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application Form and Signed Declaration   | <input type="checkbox"/> Current Transcript         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Written Essay   | <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation of Enrollment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two Letters of Reference  | <input type="checkbox"/> Graduation Picture         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> List of contributions made to school or community, leadership activities and personal achievements. |   |

Any incomplete scholarship application will not be processed or considered for a scholarship award.

The personal information on this form is being collected for the purpose of determining eligibility of an applicant to receive a scholarship. This information is collected under the authority of Section 33 (c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and may become public information once it is submitted to Council during a Council meeting. Questions regarding the collection of this information can be directed to the FOIP Coordinator at 403-443-5541.



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**DECLARATION OF APPLICANT**

I have read and understand the instructions, and DECLARE THAT:

- All information provided is true and complete and I understand it is subject to audit.
- I will meet any eligibility requirements and obligations of the scholarship as stated in Kneehill County Policy #15-5.
- I will be a full-time student at the institution named for the period stated.
- I will immediately notify Kneehill County in writing if I withdraw from full-time studies before completing one semester of studies.
- I am a rural resident of Kneehill County.

I understand and agree that:

- If I receive a Kneehill County Scholarship Award, I may be requested to attend a recognition ceremony to be publically recognized.
- If I receive a Kneehill County Scholarship Award, my name and photo may be published in the local newspaper, Kneehill County website and in other Kneehill County Communications.
- Any incomplete scholarship application will not be processed or considered for Scholarship award.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date