



## **RIDGWAY ELKER PRIDE AND SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

**THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS AWARDED TO THE GRADUATING SENIOR FROM RIDGWAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT WHO HAS SHOWN CONSISTENT ELKER PRIDE IN HIS/HER RIDGWAY HIGH SCHOOL CAREER WHO HAS AT LEAST A 2.5 GPA. THE AWARD IS BASED ON PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, LEADERSHIP AMONGST PEERS AS IT PERTAINS TO SCHOOL SPIRIT, VOLUNTEERING IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTIVISM IN A MANNER THAT ENHANCES ELKER PRIDE AND THE RIDGWAY STUDENT EXPERIENCE. THIS IS A FOUR-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP.**

For consideration, this application must be completed and returned to the guidance office by \_\_\_\_\_ . All applications must be received at the Elk County Community Foundation office from your guidance office no later than April 1. There will be no exceptions. The Scholarship Selection Committee, appointed by the Board of Directors of the Elk County Community Foundation, will select the scholarship recipient.

### **The Ridgway Elker Pride and Service Scholarship**

The Ridgway Elker Pride and Service Scholarship is a 4-year scholarship of \$1000 per year for student with a minimum 2.5 GPA. This scholarship is awarded to the Graduating Senior from Ridgway Area School District who has shown consistent Elker Pride in his/her Ridgway High School career. The measurement of this award is based on participation in extracurricular activities, leadership amongst peers as it pertains to school spirit, volunteering in community service (over and above the minimum 15 hours required by the school district) and school district activism in a manner that enhances Elker Pride and the Ridgway student experience. This scholarship does not consider financial need in the criteria for award.

### **TERMS FOR SCHOLARSHIP**

The committee will grant the **Ridgway Elker Pride and Service Scholarship** as instructed. The selection of students to receive scholarship grants shall be made by the committee without regard to race, religion or sex of the applicant or their political perspectives. The committee will not place restrictions upon a candidate's choice of college or university.

The committee shall require, prior to the disbursement of any scholarship, proof that the scholarship recipient is actually enrolled as a student at the educational institution for which the grant is made, and all scholarship grants shall be paid only to the education institution attended by the recipient and never directly to the recipient. This grant covers tuition, fees, and books for the applicable fall, winter, or spring quarter.

### **The Elk County Community Foundation is approved as a PATH Program participant.**

*If you are awarded a scholarship of at least \$500 from the Community Foundation, we will submit your name to AES/PHEAA for additional scholarship funding through PATH. To be eligible for the PATH award, you must meet the following criteria: be enrolled in an approved Pennsylvania College or career school; be a State Grant recipient and have a Federal Student Loan; and demonstrate financial need for PATH Program Grant. PATH grants will not exceed the Maximum State Grant for the particular academic year.*

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**Employment Information:**

Do you currently have a part-time job? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Phone Number of employer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Wages

**Educational Insights:**

For the summer/fall session, please list the names of the schools you have applied to. Indicate if you have been accepted to or are waiting to hear from the school.

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you been accepted? Y N Have you been accepted? Y N

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you been accepted? Y N Have you been accepted? Y N

**Financial Information:**

Please enter your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number that can be found on the top of your Student Aid Report (SAR), which is generated after completing your Free Application for Federal Student

Aid Form (FAFSA): \_\_\_\_\_. If this number is not available at the time of submitting the application, please provide details as to the status of FAFSA. Please fax or call the Community Foundation office when the number becomes available.

**Attachments:**

- Please attach an activity resume that highlights all of your activities in the sectors of school and community and any honors and/or awards you have received.
- Please attach a short, computer-generated essay (200-250 words) **on how you have demonstrated your Elker Pride in your school and community through your leadership role, involvement in school activities, and community service.** The essay should be written with 1 ½ inch spacing, margins justified, 12-point font in Times New Roman. Check for neatness, spelling and structure.

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I attest that all personal data included within this application is truthful and in no way misleading. All contents have been completed entirely by myself (the applicant) to the best of my knowledge.

If I am selected as a recipient of an Elk County Community Foundation scholarship, I agree to permit the Foundation to confer with my school to verify my continuing enrollment during the term of my scholarship. I also agree that my name and photograph can be used in announcements made by the Elk County Community Foundation regarding the particular scholarship(s) for which I have been awarded. I also agree that by signing this I permit my high school to give the Elk County Community foundation information regarding my SAT scores, ACT scores, GPA, and class rank.

Awards may be used at any accredited, nonprofit college or university within the United States.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature