



SCHOLARSHIP PROCEDURE

THE GRAINTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HEALTH EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP AND LOAN

PURPOSE:

The Grainton United Methodist Church Health Education Scholarship and Loan Fund is a special Fund which is held, administered and accounted for by the Perkins County Health Services Foundation (PCHSF). The Fund is to be devoted to the purpose of providing financial assistance for health services education for PCHS employees or high school graduates planning to enter the medical profession.

The purpose of the Fund, the procedure for governance of the Fund, and the selection of scholarship and loan recipients are set forth in the Agreement by which the Fund is placed under the administration of PCHSF.

POTENTIAL RECIPIENTS:

The individuals eligible to apply for scholarships from the Fund must be high school seniors graduating from either Perkins County High School or Wallace High School and they must plan to enter a medical profession. Individuals eligible for loans are current employees of PCHS or individuals being recruited by PCHS.

SELECTION QUALIFICATIONS:

A PCHS employee must receive a recommendation from his/her supervisor and must express intention to continue as PCHS employee after receiving his/her degree. The employee must sign an agreement stating this. Persons wishing to apply for a scholarship or loan must write a letter to the Perkins County Health Services Foundation Board of Directors, 900 Lincoln Avenue, Grant, NE 69140. This letter will represent the application and shall include the following:

- 1) Personal history or resume
- 2) Past scholastic performance ("Potential" ability should be indicated, but past scholastic performance may not be a top priority).
- 3) Educational and career goals, and the relevance of the planned course of study to the same.
- 4) Character references from teachers and others familiar with the candidate.
- 5) Motivation and ability to succeed.

The deadline for receiving scholarship applications will be April 1. The PCHSF Scholarship Selection Committee shall accept and review applications on an annual basis. The scholarship recipient announcements will be made in May and loan recipients as they are approved. Employee loan applications may be submitted at any time. The amount granted shall always be at the discretion of the Foundation Board of Directors and may be issued as one scholarship/loan or divided between more than one applicant.

SUPERVISION OF SCHOLARSHIP:

PCHSF shall issue scholarship funds directly to the recipient's educational institution attended by the recipient following the successful completion of the first college semester. The scholarship funds are nontaxable to the recipient.

The educational institution shall use the funds to defray the recipient's expenses only if the recipient is enrolled at such institution, and the recipient's standing thereafter is consistent with the purposes and conditions of the grant. The funds are to be used primarily for tuition, books, supplies and fees.