

The
William H. and Elizabeth Lynch Nolan
Scholarship Fund
of the
Ross County Historical Society

(Offered on even numbered years only)

**The William H. and Elizabeth Lynch Nolan Scholarship Fund
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Agreement**

William H. Nolan, wishing to leave a lasting legacy, established this fund to promote higher education by providing scholarships to seniors graduating from accredited high schools in Ross County.

The fund of \$75,000 is created by a bequest to the Ross County Historical Society from the estate of William H. Nolan, to be administered by the Board of Trustees of said Historical Society, a not-for-profit, 501 (C) (3) organization of the Internal Revenue Code.

The principal held in trust shall be known as the William H. and Elizabeth Lynch Nolan Scholarship Fund of the Ross County Historical Society. The number and value of the scholarships awarded annually shall be determined by the selection committee and shall depend on the amount of interest earned by the fund since the previous distribution of scholarships.

No portion of the original principal of \$75,000 may be expended for any purpose. Funds added to the original principal may be used only to increase the value of scholarships offered or to provide additional scholarships.

In order to implement the fund, the Board of Trustees of the Ross County Historical Society agrees as follows:

Section I: Investment and Application of Trust Fund and Income

The Board of Trustees of the Ross County Historical Society shall hold the fund and, on the recommendation of the Treasurer and Finance Committee, shall invest it in securities which will yield the best and safest rate of return. An accounting of the investment of this fund will be included in the monthly financial reports made to the Board of Trustees, with the principal and interest clearly itemized.

Section II: Restrictions of Use of Trust Fund

The income from said fund shall be devoted exclusively to the purpose described above and shall in no part and no event be given or distributed to or inure to the benefit of any private person or corporation. In making distribution of income for the payment of scholarships, the scholarship shall not be paid directly to those students selected, but shall rather be paid directly to those institutions the students will attend.

Section III: Selection Committee

The Education Committee of the Ross County Historical Society will serve as the selection committee.

Should a relative of a member of the selection committee be among the applicants, such member shall be disqualified and shall be replaced with a qualified appointee.

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The William H. and Elizabeth Lynch Nolan Scholarship Fund of the Ross County Historical Society was established by a bequest from the estate of William H. Nolan. College scholarships will be awarded to qualifying students who are graduating seniors from accredited high schools in Ross County.

Guidelines for Application

1. Applicants must be residents of Ross County.
2. Applicants must be in the top 35% of their class.
3. Applicants must be graduates of an accredited high school in Ross County.
4. Applicants must provide proof of acceptance by the college, university, or trade school of their choice.
5. Applications must be accompanied by an official high school transcript and A.C.T. (or equivalent) scores.
6. Scholarship funds are to be used for tuition, room/board, and books.
7. Scholarship payment will be made directly to the designated education institution, and not to the student.
8. Should a recipient withdraw before completing his or her academic year, for whatever reason, the remaining funds, in accordance with the policy of the institution, shall be returned to the Nolan Scholarship Fund.
9. The Education Committee of the Ross County Historical Society will serve as the selection committee.
10. Selection will be based on scholastic achievement, self-motivation, participation in school and community activities, financial need and any other criteria established by the selection committee.
11. Nolan Scholarships will not be distributed to recipients who receive other scholarship(s) or grant(s) that cover full tuition, room/board, and books. Recipients receiving such full-ride scholarships and/or grants must notify the Ross County Historical Society immediately. Designated educational institutions are required to return all Nolan Scholarship awards to the Ross County Historical Society in such cases.

STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELORS BY MARCH 1. GUIDANCE COUNSELORS MUST FORWARD APPLICATIONS TO THE ROSS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY THE SECOND FRIDAY IN MARCH. (NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.)

(Please use paper clips instead of staples throughout your application. Thank you.)

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Student Application Form**

I hereby apply for a college scholarship and submit the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: (____)_____ Cell Phone: (____)_____

E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____
(Father/Stepfather)

Parent or Guardian: _____
(Mother/Stepmother)

Number of Siblings: _____

Number of Siblings Attending College at Present: _____

Family Adjusted Gross Income: _____

Name of College, University, or Trade School you plan to attend:

Address: _____

Name of Admissions Officer or Representative: _____

Address of Admissions Office: _____

Phone Number of Admissions Officer: (____)_____ Ext. # _____

Attach proof of acceptance by the school of your choice.

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Statement of Post Secondary Intention**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Name of High School: _____

Class Rank: _____ A.C.T. (or equivalent) Composite Score: _____

Attach a high school transcript.

Complete the following questionnaire:

What is your major field of study in high school? _____

What college, university or trade school degree do you hope to obtain?

What career/field do you wish to enter with this degree?

What recognition have you received for outstanding schoolwork, i.e., honors, prizes, or scholarships? _____

List the activities in which you have engaged during your high school years. Include organized out-of-school activities (scouting, 4-H Club, church organizations, etc.), as well as those connected with school (class officer, music organizations, athletics, publications, etc.) _____

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**Statement of Proposed Budget for the
Coming Year**

Anticipated Sources of Income:

Scholarships/Grants: _____

Loans: _____

Summer Work: _____

Family Contributions: _____

Other: _____

Total Income: _____

Estimated Expenses:

Tuition & Fees: _____

Room & Board: _____

Textbooks: _____

Travel Expenses: _____

Miscellaneous Expenses: _____

Total Expenses: _____

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Self Expression Synopsis

Write an essay of approximately 200 to 500 words, describing yourself; your interests, hobbies, and goals; and your school, church, or other community involvement.

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I hereby certify that all statements contained in the foregoing application are true and correct, that I have read the description of the William H. and Elizabeth Lynch Nolan Scholarship Fund of the Ross County Historical Society, that I believe myself eligible to apply for a college scholarship under the provisions and conditions it contains, and I authorize my school to provide information to the Selection Committee upon request.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Student

This application and certification and release is true and correct and meets with my approval.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Guidance Counselor School