

Community Foundation of Grundy County

Scholarship Fund Information

Name of Fund: Pete Muffler Memorial Scholarship

Type of Fund: Endowed Scholarship Fund

Date Established: November, 2010

Established by: Morris Firefighters Association, Morris Lions Club, Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1024, Morris Building and Loan, Grundy County Corn Festival, Community Foundation of Grundy County

Date to dissolve (if applicable): N/A

Administrative Fee: 2% of the value of the fund per year

Award: One \$1,000 scholarships, in the event additional funds are raised, two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded

CRITERIA AND RESTRICTIONS FOR USE OF FUND:

The Pete Muffler Memorial Scholarship provides up to two (2) scholarships of \$1,000.00 each to students meeting the following criteria.

1. Applicant must be a resident of Grundy County.
2. Applicants must be a graduating senior attending the Grundy Area Vocational Center and enrolled in the fire science program, with the intention of pursuing fire service as a career.

OR

Applicants must be a graduating senior from Seneca High School, who is also a Grundy County Resident, with the intention of pursuing fire service as a career.

3. Applicant must be accepted in a fire related course of study at an accredited Junior College, Trade School, or 4-year University.
4. Applicant must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
5. Applicant must report final grades to the Community Foundation within 15 days of the end of the school year.

In the event there are no GAVC/Seneca students eligible to apply for this scholarship, the following criteria are in effect:

1. Applicant must be a resident of Grundy County.
2. Applicant must be accepted in a fire related course of study at an accredited Junior College, Trade School, or 4 year University, with the intention of pursuing fire science as a career.
3. Applicant must have a grade point average at time of graduation from High School of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

4. Applicant must report final grades to the Community Foundation within 15 days of the end of the school year.

In the event there are no Grundy County High School students applying for the scholarship, it will be open to college students who are currently enrolled in a fire science program at an accredited Junior College, Trade School, or 4 year University using the following criteria.

1. Applicant must be a resident of Grundy County.
2. Applicant must be accepted in a fire science program at an accredited Junior College, Trade School or 4 year University.
3. Applicant must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

In the event there are no traditional college students eligible to apply for the Muffler Scholarship, applications may be submitted by persons who are currently members in good standing of an existing Grundy County Fire Organization, to pursue course work leading to a certification or an advanced degree in any area of fire science.

1. Applicant must be a member of an existing Grundy County Fire Organization.
2. Applicant must be accepted into a course of study leading to a certification in fire service field, or accepted into a program leading to an advanced degree in any area of fire science.

Because Pete Muffler served on the Morris Volunteer Fire Department for over 50 years in numerous positions, these scholarships are targeted towards individuals whose intention it is to pursue fire science as their career. However, Pete also had a long history of community service through various local clubs and organizations. For that reason, if there are no applicants for fire science or fire service field in any given year, the scholarship may be awarded to a Grundy County student who has been accepted at an accredited college or university with plans to pursue programs such as government services, emergency management, law enforcement, human services, etc. The following criteria will apply:

1. Applicant must be a resident of Grundy County.
2. Applicant must be accepted in a course of study leading to a degree in one of the above listed disciplines.
3. Applicant must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
4. Applicant must report final grades to the Community Foundation within 15 days of the end of the school year.