

## *BETHEL LUTHERAN FOUNDATION, SAINT JOHN'S SCHOLARSHIP*

*Bethel Scholarship funds are made available through a special fund which resulted from the merger with St. John's Lutheran Church. Since the fund was established, the interest from it has enabled us to serve young adults from our Congregation as they pursue higher education.*

### **Purpose and Scholarship Criteria**

The purpose of the Bethel Lutheran Foundation Board Saint John's scholarship is to provide assistance for higher education to an actively involved member of Bethel Lutheran Church. Examples of church involvement include regular Church attendance, participation with Vacation Bible School (VBS), choir and special music, youth group, confirmation and acolyting, Sunday school, and general church outreach events such as the Harvest Festival. The scholarship amount will be determined by interest earned on funds in the Bethel Foundation, Saint John's Scholarship Fund. The one-time scholarship will be given when the student enrolls for the second semester of the first year enrolled.

Scholarship applicants must be planning to attend an accredited two or four-year College while pursuing a post-secondary education. Applicants will be evaluated by the Bethel Foundation Board and subjected to Pastoral review.

Awards will be based on the following considerations in addition to the items required in the application packet:

- **Grade Point Average (Minimum 2.0)**
- **Scholarships/Grants which the applicant has already been awarded**
- **Church Involvement (see above for explanation)**

### **Scholarship Application Process**

Listed below is a checklist of items that should be included in your application packet. Only applications that include all of the required information, and are received by the deadline, will be considered for approval by the Bethel Foundation Board.

- A completed Bethel Foundation, Saint John's Scholarship Application
- A personal letter explaining any information that you feel was not adequately explained or accounted for in the application. This letter should also include the following:
  1. Activities you are or have been involved in at church, school, and the community
  2. Special recognition you have received at church, school or in the community
  3. Other information you feel appropriate and would like considered during the scholarship review process
- A copy of your current transcript from your school.
- Letters of recommendation from three people who are familiar with you and know you well. Preferably, at least one letter should be from a Bethel congregation member who can validate church involvement. You may also want to consider a teacher, employer (current or former), neighbor, minister, or a professional person such as a doctor or dentist.

**The packet containing the above information must be completed and returned to the church by April 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Please direct all application material to:**

**Bethel Lutheran Church  
Attn: Bethel Foundation Board Scholarship Committee  
328 Walnut Street  
Windsor, CO 80550**

**BETHEL LUTHERAN FOUNDATION  
St. JOHN'S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Date of application \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) (City) (State) (Zip code)

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month/day/year)

Name of parents or guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address of parent or guarding (If different from yours)

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(Address) (City) (State) (Zip code)

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Name and phone number of the three people you have asked to write letters of recommendation.

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**EDUCATIONAL PLANS**

What college or university do you plan to attend?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Address)

What will be your major(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

What will your degree be? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years to get your degree? \_\_\_\_\_ Will you be a full time student? \_\_\_\_\_

**CHURCH INVOLVEMENT:**

Please describe your involvement with Bethel Lutheran. You may wish to include activities such as participation with VBS, choir and/or special music, youth group, Sunday School, confirmation, acolyting, and general church events.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL NEEDS**

Total estimated cost for first year of college \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What scholarships or financial aid have you applied for (Name and amount)?

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What scholarships or financial aid have you received (Name and amount)?

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Please check the one statement that reflects your financial need:

- Cannot attend college without substantial financial aid.
- Will probably attend college, but will need some financial assistance.
- Cannot attend college unless virtually full financial assistance is secured.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

**TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Dose the applicant meet the scholarship qualification criteria? \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in their graduating class of \_\_\_\_\_ members.

Applicant grade point average \_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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