



Announces the

**Pearl
Above All Scholarship**

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Deadline: February 28, 2020

Pearl – Above All Scholarship

Background: Pearl is a local organization that focuses on providing single parent families the hope and skills necessary to build an economically and emotionally stable home environment through sustainable programs. This scholarship is expected to provide children, of single parents, the opportunity to obtain a college education and understanding of sustainable life skills that will provide long-term stability.

Award: Three (3) awards of \$500 each (payable to the recipient's account at the educational institution of choice)

To Be Eligible You Must:

- Be the child of a single parent
- Be a high school senior in the St. Vrain Valley School District, graduating this year
- Be planning to enroll as a full-time student at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university or trade school, beginning in the fall of this year
- Use the scholarship funds by June 1 of the following year

Selection Process: The selection committee will consider the applicant's:

- Personal Essay
- Letters of Recommendation
- High school transcript(s) for Grade 9 through the first semester of Grade 12
- Statement of financial need
- Volunteer and community service record
- High school activities, honors and awards

Letters of Recommendation: Two (2) letters of recommendation are required.

- One (1) from a teacher, administrator or counselor and
- One (1) from a community member who is not a family member

Application Process: Please complete and provide (1) the application; (2) personal essay; (3) transcript(s); (4) statement of financial need; and (5) two letters of recommendation and deliver one copy of each to the counseling office at your high school.

Note: If any portion of the application is incomplete or not included the application will not be considered. Additional materials of any kind will not be considered.

Deadline: Must be delivered to Counseling Office at your school no later than February 28, 2020.

Questions: If you have any questions contact the Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley at 720-652-8208 or via email at studentscholarships@efsvv.org.

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General Directions: Please follow the directions throughout the application carefully. Type or print clearly. Only use this form and the space provided. As indicated for several questions, you may include additional sheets if required. Be sure to complete all sections of the application and provide only information requested. Supplemental materials will not be considered.

Applicant Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

High School _____ Anticipated Graduation Date ____/____/____

Name of College You Plan to Attend _____

Community Activities and Volunteer Work

Please list community activities and volunteer work and year(s) of participation; please include an estimate of how many hours worked for each activity. One additional sheet may be used for this information, if needed. *Examples: scouting, community service projects, community volunteerism, religious youth groups.*

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

High School Honors and Awards

Please list honors and awards and year(s). One additional sheet may be used for this information, if needed. *Examples: honor roll, National Honor Society, science fair awards, student/athlete awards, Eagle Scout classification.*

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

High School Activities

Please list high school activities and year(s) of participation. One additional sheet may be used for this information, if needed. *Examples: sports teams, clubs, band, choral, orchestra, yearbook, school paper, tutoring.*

- 1. _____ 4. _____
- 2. _____ 5. _____
- 3. _____ 6. _____

Leadership Positions Held (elected or appointed)

Please list leadership positions held and the year(s) of participation. One additional page may be used for this information, if needed. *Examples: class officer, club officer, sports team leader, scouting leader, student government officer, music/orchestra 1st chair.*

- 1. _____ 4. _____
- 2. _____ 5. _____
- 3. _____ 6. _____

Personal Essay

Write an essay of 500 words or less on the following topic. This is your opportunity to tell the selection committee about yourself and the factors that have helped you become the person you are today and want to be in the future. Your response should be typed. Include your full name in the top right hand corner of your essay.

Essay Topic:

Describe your background and future plans including the following points:

- a. Experience from the your own life and how it has influenced who you are today;
- b. How growing up in a single parent home has influenced your future goals;
- c. Why a college education is important to you; and
- d. Why you are a good candidate for this scholarship.

Certification and Release Authorization – required for consideration

I certify this information is true, complete and accurate. I authorize the release of this information to confirm and/or verify this application. I also authorize the Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley to use my name, picture and application for marketing purposes.

Student Signature _____ **Date** ___/___/___