

Eligibility and Requirements

THE JOHN R. KERNODLE, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The John R. Kernodle, Jr. Memorial Scholarship was established in 1996 by a group of Guilford County citizens in memory of John R. Kernodle, Jr. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships for future teachers to fund their undergraduate studies. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need and merit to graduating seniors of the Guilford County public schools who are legal residents of North Carolina. Special consideration will be given to students attending North Carolina colleges and universities.

Eligibility:

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- **demonstrated financial need**
- a commitment to the field of public education
- breadth of interests
- potential for success at the college level
- a commitment to community service
- concern for others
- extracurricular involvement

Requirements and Obligations:

Kernodle Scholars will be required to serve for a minimum of three years following graduation as a full-time teacher in grades K-12 in North Carolina public schools, with a strong preference for service in Guilford County.

Kernodle Scholars must:

- a) maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 grade point average while in college;
- b) Continue in college as a full-time student and pursue studies leading to licensure at graduation to teach in North Carolina public schools.
- c) achieve a degree for employment as a teacher in grades K-12 and
- d) meet the three-year teaching commitment, or the recipient will be required to repay all funds received from the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Scholarship Fund.

Application Procedure:

Students are responsible for submitting completed applications to their counselor no later than **February 1, 2010**. Counselors must submit applications (hand-delivered or post-marked) no later than **February 15, 2010** to the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro. Applications must contain all items listed in the application instructions on page 2. For further information, contact Corey Pitz at the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro, 379-9100 or cpitz@cfgg.org.

Awards:

The Kernodle Scholarship will cover (up to a maximum of \$10,000 per year) tuition and fees, on-campus room and meals, and books and supplies. See summary of the Kernodle Scholarship for guidelines followed in administering and payment of scholarship funds.

Scholarships will be renewable each year for a total of four years if the recipient has maintained a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and is meeting the institution's requirements for progress toward graduation and the North Carolina teacher licensure requirements.

Recipients will be notified in mid-May.

Kernodle Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, disability, or national origin. The Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro reserves the right not to award scholarships if applicants are not considered qualified.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Application Package to be submitted consists of

- The Application Form and the essay
- Three recommendations
- High school academic transcripts with explanation of its grading system
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA).

PARENT/GUARDIAN

- 1) Complete the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid and give a copy to your child in time to turn in the application by **February 1, 2010**. If you have previously completed this form, a copy will be sufficient for this requirement. (The FAFSA is available in paper and electronic formats. You can get the paper version from your high school, the financial aid office at any college or university, the public library, or by calling 1-800-4-FED-AID. Web-based version is at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>).
- 2) You may feel free to assist the candidate through the process, but do not assist with the application itself or with the essay.
- 3) Sign the completed application where indicated.

APPLICANT

- 1) Fill out each section of the application. Answer each question as thoroughly as possible.
- 2) Provide the reference forms to the individuals you choose to write recommendations. You should be very selective in choosing persons to recommend you. One should be from a current or recent teacher who knows you well. The others should be from professionals such as teachers, employers or ministers. The letters should emphasize your character, qualifications and reasons why you are a "good fit" for a Kernodle Scholarship. Recommendations written by relatives are not appropriate. References should be returned directly to you in a sealed envelope. It is your responsibility to forward the recommendations to your guidance counselor.
- 3) Pay particular attention to the essay. This is your opportunity to show the Awards Committee that you are a truly outstanding candidate!
- 4) When you have completed the application, put it together with the financial statement and turn it in to your guidance counselor no later than **February 1, 2010**. Your counselor will be sure all references are in and will deliver or mail the entire package to the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro.
- 5) Scholarship recipients will be notified in mid-May.

COUNSELOR

- 1) After the student has submitted all the required elements of the application, fill in the student's academic information in section IV and sign where indicated.
- 2) Attach a copy of the student's transcripts.
- 3) In order to be considered by the Awards Committee, the entire package must be hand-delivered or postmarked no later than **February 15, 2010** to:

Kernodle Scholarship
Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro
330 South Greene Street, Suite 100
Greensboro, NC 27401

Application

THE JOHN R. KERNODLE, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Part I: PERSONAL DATA (please print or type)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Permanent Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School from which you plan to graduate: _____

Colleges/Universities applied to: _____

(Indicate any acceptances. It is the responsibility of the applicant to gain admission to a college or university. Recipients must enroll for a minimum of 12 semester hours in a degree-granting program).

Intended major/primary field of study: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense? () No () Yes (Please attach brief explanation)

Parent/Guardian: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Parents' Marital Status: __ Married __ Single __ Separated __ Divorced __ Widowed

Current and Past School Activities and Honors:

Community or Religious Activities and Honors (Include Internships):

Personal Activities and Hobbies:

Employment Information: Please list your employment history, including dates, starting with most recent job.

Part II: ESSAY

In no more than 500 words, make your case for being honored with a Kernodle Scholarship. Emphasize those accomplishments, goals and/or traits which you feel make your candidacy outstanding. Print your name and social security number at the top of the essay page. Be sure the essay is submitted with the rest of the application package.

Part III: RECOMMENDATIONS

Each application must be accompanied by three **sealed** letters of recommendation, one of which should be from a current or recent high school teacher. All recommendations should be given to the high school guidance counselor.

Applicant Statement: The information provided in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I understand that false statements in my application will disqualify me from scholarship assistance. I give permission for any college or school to release to the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro any information necessary to process my application to the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Memorial Scholarship.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Part IV:

A copy of the high school academic transcript must accompany the application. In addition, the school should attach an explanation of its grading system. Data requested below should be completed by the high school guidance counselor.

Weighted GPA: _____ (on a _____ scale)

Scholastic Rank in Class: _____ of _____

SAT Scores (highest scores obtained in multiple testing):

Verbal: _____ Date Taken _____

Math: _____ Date Taken _____

Total: _____

Guidance Counselor (Printed Name)

Telephone Number

Signature of Guidance Counselor

Date