

George Raymond Dolly Scholarship

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be a resident of Empire Township at the time of HS graduation
 - Applicant may be a current graduating High School Senior
- OR**
- Applicant may be currently enrolled in a post-secondary school but must have graduated from High School within the last five years
- Applicant must attend a post-secondary school (2-year, 4-year, or trade school)
 - Applicant must attend a post-secondary school on a full-time basis
 - Applicant must be able to show financial need (determined by committee)
 - Applicant must have a GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
 - Applicant must provide the most recent copy of their current transcript. This copy can be an unofficial transcript.

Scholarship Details and Selection Process

A committee will review all applications in detail. Individual scholarships will be awarded in any amount up to \$5,000 each. The committee reserves the right to distribute the total amount of scholarship money as determined to be most appropriate. Students may apply for the scholarship in subsequent years and can re-apply after previously being awarded the scholarship, up to five years after high school graduation. All decisions of the committee are final.

All inquiries regarding information about the George Raymond Dolly Scholarship should be directed to Jeff Baughman, Principal at LeRoy High School (309-962-2911). Questions to other individuals associated with the scholarship or attempts to impact the selection process through any other means may result in disqualification from scholarship consideration.

The scholarship check will be written to the recipient and the college they attend. If the recipient changes educational plans, they are expected to notify LeRoy High School. In the event that the student does not attend the educational institution indicated on their application, they will be expected to return the scholarship award in full. If the recipient ceases to attend the college to which the award was given, that institution shall reimburse the full or appropriate prorated amount to LeRoy High School, not the student. If necessary, the collections process will be used to obtain money not spent as intended when the scholarship was awarded.

Application Deadline

Completed applications are due to the attention of Jeff Baughman in the LeRoy High School main office by **3:30p.m. on Thursday, April 6, 2023**

Personal Information

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Future Post-Secondary College Plans or Current College of Attendance

College: _____

Address: _____

Status (check one): Accepted and will Attend Currently Attending

Proposed Course of Study or Major: _____

Financial Information

*You do not need to submit any tax or FAFSA information. Please answer the following two questions, which will be considered factors in your application.

1. Do you qualify for free or reduced lunch at LeRoy CUSD #2? Yes No

2. In the space provided, please describe any circumstances you would like the selection committee to take into consideration regarding financial needs. If needed, you may attach additional pages.

Please paper clip the following 5 items in order. Include only these items.

Item 1: Personal information page

Item 2: Transcript (does not need to be an official copy)

Item 3: Essay 1 (do not include your name in headers or footers)

Item 4: Essay 2 (do not include your name in headers or footers)

Item 5: Essay 3 (do not include your name in headers or footers)

- Do not include any extra information (letters of recommendation, resumes, brag sheets, etc.).
- Do not use presentation folders or staples.
- Do not include the scholarship descriptor page (page 1).

Essay 1

In one double-spaced page with 12-point font, what are your proudest achievements and why?

Essay 2

In one double-spaced page with 12-point font, respond to the following prompt:

How has residing in Empire Township shaped you as an individual and how do you plan to give back to Empire Township after completing your post-secondary education?

Essay 3

In a minimum of one double-spaced page with 12-point font, respond to the following prompt:

By the year 2050, it is projected that the world's population will be more than 9 billion people. Some sources estimate it would take an increase of over 50% of our current food production to meet those nutritional needs. At the same time, trends have shown an increase in consumption of organic products, which arguably produce less food on more land than conventional practices. The European Union has put restrictions on import of U.S. crops due to genetic modification among other factors. Give your definition of sustainable agriculture and describe what you believe are the key steps in sustainably producing food to feed 9 billion people. Be sure to include perspectives of farmers, wealthy consumers and low-income consumers.