# ARTHUR E. KLINKACEK PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

#### **Deadline:**

M April 1

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be a resident of Buffalo County, Nebraska, or attend (or attended) a Buffalo County school. At least one scholarship will be awarded to a senior or graduate of Ravenna High School, Ravenna, Nebraska.
- Be a (a) senior or high school graduate or (b) accredited home school student or (c) a person that earned a Nebraska GED (general equivalency degree).
- Must have earned at least a 2.0 (up to 3.5) cumulative unweighted GPA in high school (on a 4-point scale).
- Be a first-time freshman (less than 30 credits) when entering secondary education. (Students obtaining dual enrollment credits in high school are still eligible to apply).
- Must be enrolled full time (minimum 12 hours) in undergraduate study at an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning (this may be a college, university, technical or vocational school in Nebraska);
- Need financial assistance in order to attend school.

#### **Selection Criteria:**

- N Financial need
- N Personal essay
- Strength of recommendations
- M Academic performance considerations

## **Scholarship Award:**

Up to three scholarship recipients will be awarded.

Scholarship recipients will receive \$2,500 per academic year. All awards require full-time equivalent course loads as defined by the institution, be in good academic standing and will be split equally between semesters.

Recipients successfully completing 1- or 2-year certification programs or degrees may continue their studies to receive the remaining funding as noted above.

Applicants can receive up to a total of \$10,000 paid over 5 years. If the student is sitting out a semester or two, they are required to fill out a notification form or risk forfeiting the remaining funds in the scholarship.

To learn more about applying, go to https://www.kearneyfoundation.org/scholarships

