

Once again it is time to seek outstanding high school seniors to apply for the second largest scholarship program in the nation; The Elks "Most Valuable Student Scholarship Award Program".

Last year over \$2,400,000 in scholarship monies was awarded to the best and brightest students our Nation has to offer. 500 scholarships are awarded each year with the largest being a \$50,000 scholarship.

For local students who apply, the Yankton Elks #994 will be awarding six (6) \$300 Most Valuable Student Scholarships, three (3) for men and (3) for women at the local level. The six (6) local winners will then advance on to the State level where the award winners could receive additional scholarship dollars.

Applications for the Most Valuable Student (any high school senior) are available on the internet at enf.elks.org/mvs. The applications are available now, and must be submitted online. Legacy Awards (children or grandchildren of Elks) are also available to be completed online. The vocational grant application is still a paper form which can be requested by contacting Steve Pietila at 605-760-4916.

There are four opportunities available for students.

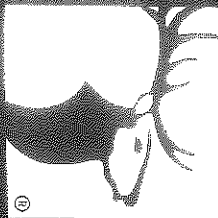
ANY high school senior who is a U.S. citizen may apply for the Most Valuable Student Scholarships. Applications must be submitted online at enf.elks.org/mvs by November 15, 2018.

For the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks, they can apply for the The Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards. The application must be submitted online by at elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Legacy.cfm by February 1, 2019.

The South Dakota Elks Association Vocational Grant is for students who will be enrolled in a Post Secondary Vocational/Technical School program. The paper applications must be submitted to the Yankton Elks Lodge, 504 W 27th Street, by November 15, 2018. They must be received by the Lodge prior to the deadline, not postmarked.

Emergency Educational Grants are also available to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks members. For more details on the Educational Grant program, please visit, elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Eefgrants.cfm

If you have questions, contact the local scholarship chairman, Steven Pietila, at 605-760-4916.



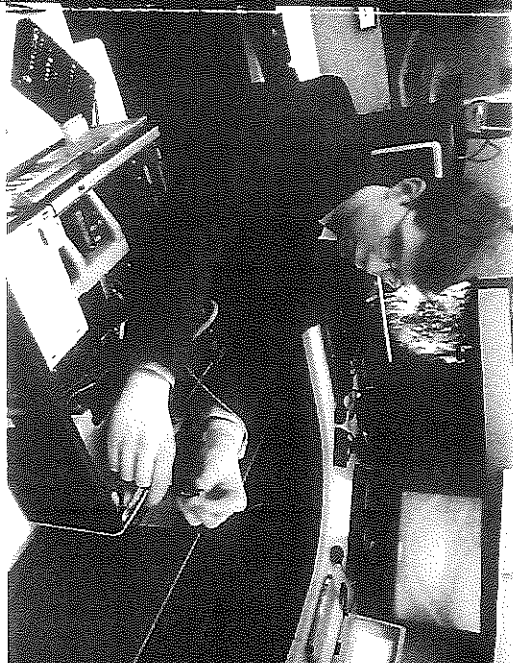
MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Since 1931, the Elks National Foundation has helped thousands of students who need financial assistance fulfill their dreams of attending college. Most Valuable Student scholars are outstanding students who are at or near the top of their classes, active in their schools and communities, and recognized as leaders by their peers.

The ENF awards \$2.44 million annually in MVS scholarships to 500 high school seniors nationwide. The first- and second-place awards are among the largest scholarships provided by any major fraternal or service organization.

AWARDS

- **First Place:** \$2,500 (per year)
- **Second Place:** \$1,000 (per year)
- **Third Place:** \$500 (per year)
- **Runners-Up:** \$250 (per year)
- **Semi-Finalists:** \$100 (per year)



HOW TO APPLY

ELIGIBILITY

Any high school senior who is a U.S. citizen may apply for an MVS scholarship.

Applications will be judged on:

- Scholarship
- Leadership
- Financial need

APPLICATIONS

Available August 15, 2018, online only. For details and to access the application, visit enf.elks.org/mvs.

DEADLINE

Applications must be submitted online on or before November 15, 2018.

The selection of winners begins at the local Lodge level and continues through district, state and national judging. The top 20 finalists are invited to attend the Leadership Weekend in Chicago, April 11-14, 2019.

HELPING STUDENTS GET A COLLEGE EDUCATION

"While applying for scholarships, I realized that the Elks National Foundation inspires and aids individuals from all backgrounds. I am excited for what is to come, and I hope I can further the goals of the Elks."

LEONARDO MORALES
2018 MVS SCHOLAR
EL PASO, TEXAS, LODGE NO. 187

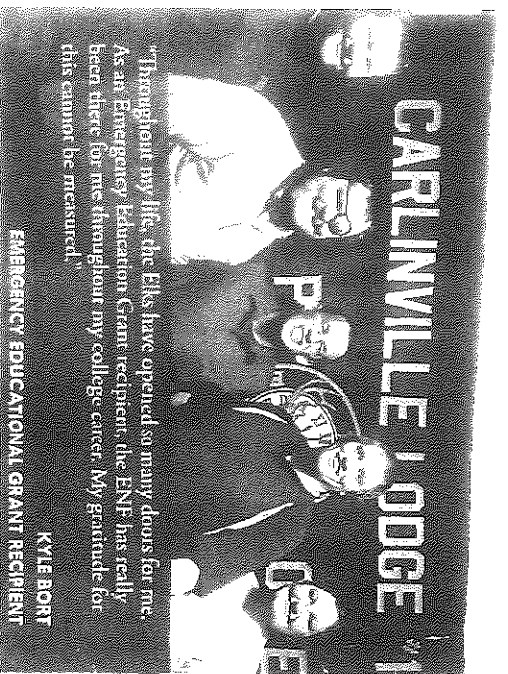
"I would like to sincerely thank you for giving me the honor of being an Elks scholar. Throughout the application process, I learned about myself and the principles of service and leadership that the Elks and I share. I have found an extended family in the Elks."

NICOLE BIRMINGHAM
2018 MVS SCHOLAR
FAIRVIEW, N.C., LODGE NO. 1881

"Elks generosity, kindness, and willingness to support my dreams and aspirations crystallized my drive to give back to the community and help those around me."

ERIC XIA
2017 MVS SCHOLAR
WESTBROOK, CONN., LODGE NO. 1784





"Throughout my life, the Elks have opened so many doors for me. As an Emergency Education Grant recipient, the ENF has really been there for me throughout my college career. My gratitude for this cannot be measured."

KYLE BORT
EMERGENCY EDUCATIONAL GRANT RECIPIENT

EMERGENCY EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

Emergency Educational Grants provide undergraduate college financial assistance to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks in the form of renewable, one-year grants of up to \$4,000. This grant is for educational assistance only and is not intended to cover the entire cost of a college education.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants must:

- ▶ Attend an accredited U.S. college or university as a full-time (12 semester hours) undergraduate student.
- ▶ Demonstrate financial need.

The unmarried and under the age of 24 during the academic year for which assistance is desired.

Application: Available by request between May 1 and October 31 of the academic year for which assistance is desired.

To obtain an application, contact the ENF Scholarship Office at 773/755-4732 or scholarship@enf.elks.org. For more information about Emergency Educational Grants, visit enf.elks.org.

LEGACY AWARDS

HONORING TRADITION

Established in 1998, the ENF Legacy Awards program offers 300 college scholarships worth \$4,000 each to the children and grandchildren of Elks members.

Eligibility: College-bound high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks are welcome to apply. Applicants compete against other children and grandchildren from the state of their sponsoring Elks Lodge. They are judged on the core values of the Elks National Foundation:

- ▶ Knowledge
- ▶ Charity
- ▶ Community Service
- ▶ Integrity

Applications: Available online starting September 1, 2018.

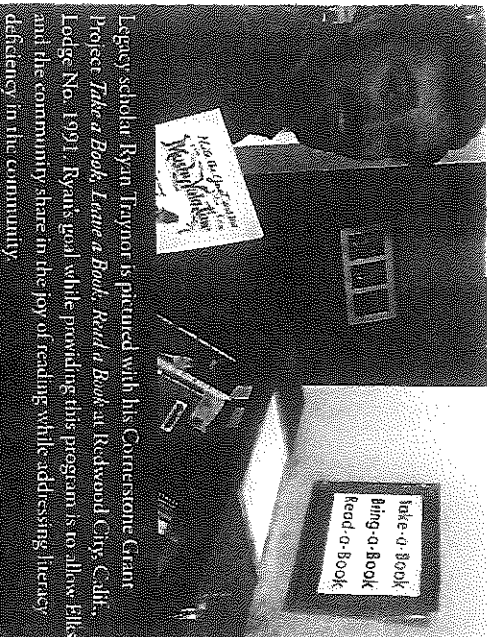
Deadline: Applications must be submitted online on or before February 1, 2019, at 11:59 a.m. Central Time.

Contact: For more information about eligibility requirements and to obtain the online application, visit enf.elks.org/leg.

DID YOU KNOW?

Members of the Elks National Foundation (ENF) are eligible to receive Legacy Scholarships. To receive them, you must be a member of the Elks National Foundation.

Visit enf.elks.org/leg to learn more.



Legacy scholar Ryan Traynor is pictured with his Cornerstone Grant Project *Take a Book, Leave a Book*. *Read a Book* at Redwood City, Calif., Lodge No. 1991. Ryan's goal while providing this program is to allow Elks and the community share in the joy of reading while addressing literacy deficiency in the community.

HELPING ELKS FAMILIES AFFORD A COLLEGE EDUCATION

"The Elks have provided me with many opportunities for community involvement and service; our local Elks Lodge has been part of my life for many years."

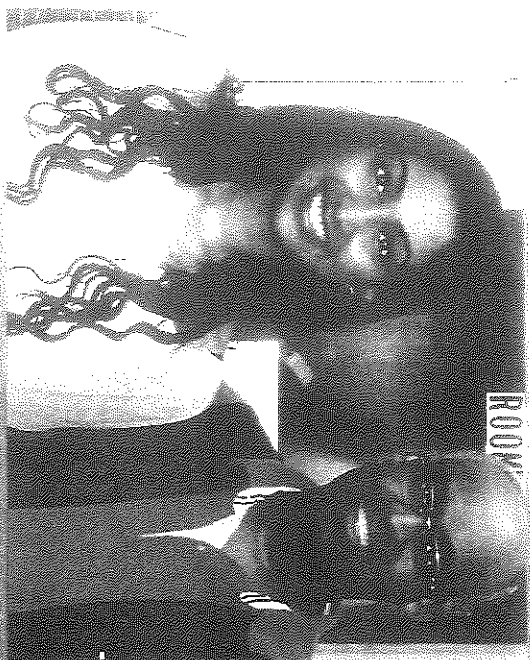
WILLIAM MEYERS
2018 LEGACY AWARDS RECIPIENT

"I have always been aware of the active involvement of the Elks within our community and across the nation [by] providing service to help those in need, especially when it comes to our veterans. The work this organization does for others has always aligned with how I want to pursue my life."

LOGAN ELDRIDGE
2018 LEGACY AWARDS RECIPIENT

"The Elks have played a major role in my family's life. I have not only an emotional pull to the Elks, but a newfound appreciation for the investment the Elks have made in my education."

CAROLINE KEARNEY
2018 LEGACY AWARDS RECIPIENT



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Elks National Foundation is a charitable organization that provides financial assistance to students in need. We are currently accepting applications for the 2013-2014 scholarship year. For more information, visit elks.org/enf.

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HELPING ELKS BUILD
STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Established in 1928, the Elks National Foundation is the charitable arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Our mission is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill our pledge by:

- ▶ **Investing** in communities where Elks live and work.
- ▶ **Providing** tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills.
- ▶ **Meeting** the needs of today's veterans.
- ▶ **Helping** the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives.
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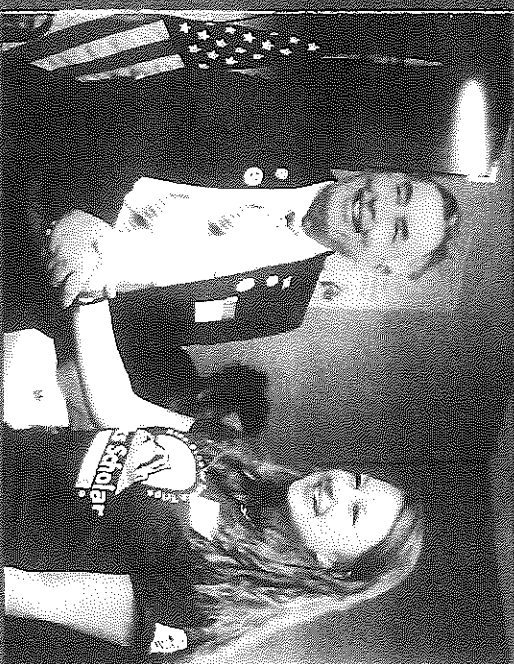
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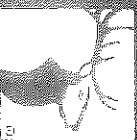


ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

INSPIRING THE PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE

The Elks are committed to building a better future. That's why the Elks National Foundation awards \$4.1 million each year in scholarships to tomorrow's leaders.

To learn more about Elks National Foundation programs, including scholarships for Elks families and other youth programs, visit elks.org/enf or contact your local Elks Lodge.



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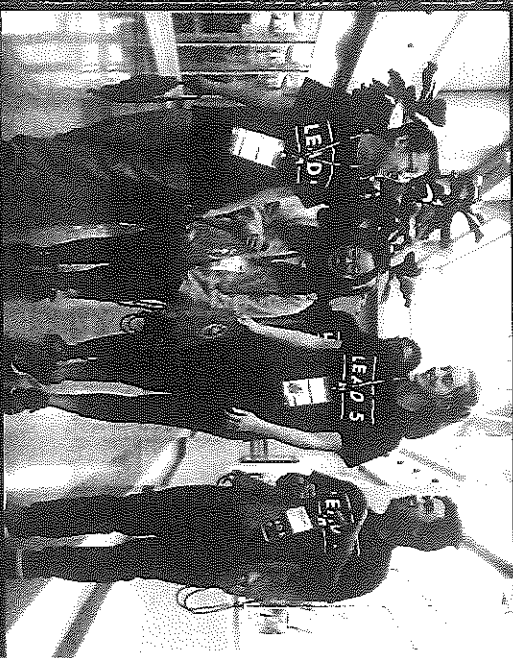
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Application for the 2019 - 2020 School Year

This \$1000 award is given by the State Elks Association for students who will be enrolling in a Post-Secondary Vocational/Technical School Program by Fall 2019

Important: Before preparing this application, review and carefully follow the procedures on page two. Applications must be received by your local Elks Lodge in your home area on or before Thursday, November 15, 2018. (NOT postmarked)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ SSN: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Anticipated Career: _____

Last High School Attended: _____ Last Date Attended: _____

Date Graduated: _____ Grade Point Average _____

Today's Date: _____

Applicant's signature

Parent/Guardian's signature (mother/stepmother) Parent/Guardian's signature (father/stepfather)

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST HAVE AN ELKS LODGE ENDORSEMENT TO BE
ACCEPTED FOR JUDGING

The Scholarship Chair, Exalted Ruler or Secretary of the Elks Lodge in the jurisdiction in which the applicant is a resident must sign the endorsement below. Applications should not be signed if they do not conform to the requirements outlined in the application.

Lodge Name and Number: _____

Signature of Lodge Official: _____

South Dakota Elks Association Vocational Grant Guidelines

1. Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited post-secondary technical or vocational program which terminates with completion of that program. Applicants shall have no immediate or long range plans to pursue a baccalaureate degree program.

PLEASE NOTE: If your plans change and you enroll in a 4 year college, you become ineligible for the grant and must contact your local Elks Lodge immediately.

2. All scholarship are in the form of certificates of award issued by the State Office conditioned upon the enrollment of the student in a technical degree program in an accredited American post-secondary school. Upon receipt of a verification of enrollment from proper school officials, a South Dakota Elks Association check in the amount of the award (\$1,000.00) will be forwarded to the post-secondary school to establish credit for the student.
3. Fill out the application completely.
4. Attach the following:
 - a) Official transcript from your high school;
 - b) A 350 to 500 word typed essay about yourself. This should include a description of the applicant, the applicant's financial needs, the applicant's involvement in extracurricular and community activities, and a summary of the applicant's intended career plans and goals. Explain the course of study or other activities taken to prepare for your anticipated career;
 - c) At least two (2) letters of reference/recommendation from someone (not related to you) who knows you and your career goals. One letter of recommendation must be from a community member not associated with the school system.