

## ***Mollie J. and Nelson G. Allen Scholarship Fund***

<b>Purpose:</b>	This fund was established to provide academic scholarships to graduating seniors of Northwest Missouri intending to pursue a degree in education at a 2 or 4-year college/university or a Vocational degree/certificate at a 2-year college or Vocational/Technical School.
<b>Criteria:</b>	<p><b>Scholarship 1</b></p> <p>The students eligible shall be graduating seniors of a high school within the 18-county region of The Community Foundation intending to pursue a degree in education (elementary or secondary) through a two or four-year college and/or university. Student must be in the top 50% of their class but <b>not</b> in the top 10%, have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and an ACT score of 19 or higher. Consideration will be given to financial need (determined by parent's gross income and number of children in the home) and high school attendance record for Junior and Senior years.</p> <p><b>Scholarship 2</b></p> <p>The students eligible shall be graduating seniors of a high school within the 18-county region of The Community Foundation intending to pursue a certificate/degree through an accredited two-year college or Vocational/Technical School. Student must be in the top 50% of their class but <b>not</b> in the top 10% and must have a minimum GPA of 2.0. Consideration will be given to financial need (determined by parent's gross income and number of children in the home) and high school attendance record for Junior and Senior years.</p>
<b>Guidelines:</b>	<p>One recipient will be chosen for each scholarship. Scholarship 1 is awarded on an annual basis and is renewable for up to 4 years with disbursements in August and January. Scholarship 2 is awarded on an annual basis and is renewable for up to 2 years if needed. Alternates may be chosen to receive an award of \$1,000 (\$500 per semester) for up to 4 years on scholarship 1 and 2 years on scholarship 2. If the chosen recipient withdraws from school or does not meet requirements, the alternate will assume the remaining scholarship amount. Additional "extra" recipients may be chosen to receive a one-time award of \$1,000 payable in the Fall for 1 year with an option to reapply.</p> <p>Scholarship 1 renewing students must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher their freshman year and 2.5 or higher the remaining 3 years to be eligible.</p> <p>Scholarship 2 renewing students must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher to be eligible.</p>
<b>Amount:</b>	<p>Scholarship 1 - \$2,000 payable in year 1, \$3,000 in year 2, \$4,000 in year 3 and \$6,000 in year 4 for up to four years payable in fall and spring.</p> <p>Scholarship 2 - \$2,000 payable in year 1 and \$3,000 payable in year 2 if attending a 2-year program. Certificate programs through a vocational/technical school lasting less than 1 year will receive \$2,000. Recurring payments will be released upon proof of good academic progress and proof of enrollment. Extra one-time recipients have the option to reapply by submitting their transcript and enrollment verification to the Community Foundation.</p>
<b>Deadline:</b>	<p>March 1</p> <p><b><u>Apply through Scholar-Link: <a href="http://www.cfnwmo.org">www.cfnwmo.org</a></u></b></p> <p>The Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Inc. 1006 W St Maartens Dr, Suite B, St Joseph MO 64506 816-232-2022</p>