

Bandera Knights of Columbus  
Scholarship Application  
The Don Cody Memorial Scholarship

### Scholarship Eligibility

1. Students must be a Catholic in good standing.
2. Student must have been an active member of St. Stanislaus/St. Victor's Chapel in Bandera County.
3. Student must be currently attending either a college or technical trade school in their 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> years of attendance.
4. Students attending a four-year college must have a minimum confirmed GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
5. Students attending a two-year college or technical trade school must have a confirmed minimum GPA of a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Applications must be either typed or printed and must be legible. Any application deemed not legible by the review committee will be disqualified. Any section may have pages added by the applicant.

**Applications MUST have all sections filled out. Any sections not completed will be a disqualification.**

Applications must be turned in by the due date – March 7, 2019 - with all required documents. Any application not received by the due date will be deemed disqualified.

### Application Review Process

Council #10258 scholarship committee shall serve as the application review committee. The committee will individually grade the applications and all scores will then be averaged to determine a final score for an applicant. The scores will then be compared to develop a ranking system

Each year, based on fund availability, the scholarship committee will make a recommendation to the entire council on the number and amount of scholarships. The number of scholarships and the amount(s), if any in each year, will be determined by the membership of Knights of Columbus Council #10258.

The total amount of a scholarship awarded will be paid directly to the technical trade school or college **over two semesters for the period awarded**. The student is responsible for providing the council with the appropriate contact information for the technical trade school or college. The second semester payment is contingent on the student completing a full course load (minimum of 12 semester hours) with a minimum of 2.0 out of 4.0. **To receive the second semester payment the student must provide a copy of a grade report to the council for verification and any changes to the payment process, as well as a copy of the upcoming semester course schedule and tuition bill by January 22, 2020. Students are also required to provide a letter from the parish priest in the area where they attend school stating the student is active in the local Catholic Church.**

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**Grading System**

Points will be allocated on the following basis:

**UP TO**

**Overall Completeness**

**5 points**

(The reviewer will award points on their impression of completeness)

**Family Member in Knights of Columbus**

**15 points**

(Points will be allocated based on length of time as a Knight and Participation)

**Academic Performance**

**10 points**

**Financial Need**

**15 points**

**School Activities**

**10 points**

**Community Service**

**10 points**

**Service to Church**

**15 points**

**Essay #1**

**10 points**

**Essay #2**

**10 points**

**Total**

**100 points**

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## Application Instructions

Students must fill out the application completely. The application can either be typed or handwritten. If handwritten, it should be done in block print and legible. A summary of each section of the application with any special instructions or examples can be found below. Examples are not all inclusive and you may have been involved in other activities that should be included.

**Personal contact Information:** This section of the application is critical. The information provided must be **current mailing address** and contact numbers where we can get in touch with you. This is how we will contact you for additional information, when and where there will be interviews if determined necessary and how any award information will be provided to you. Failure to provide this information may delay or make you *ineligible* for any award.

**Academic Information:** Continuing Students applying for second year scholarships or beyond must provide a copy of their current grade report (often referred to as an official transcript) from the school or university.

**Financial Information:** This information is important in determining the need of the applicant. Please note that some scholarships you may receive will have limitations on the amount of additional resources that can be accepted by you. If you receive a large scholarship or grant from a different source, please notify us immediately as this may affect your eligibility.

**School Activities:** This section should include anything you participated in while in high school. Some examples include any groups or clubs such as the Business Club, Chess Club, etc. as well as any extracurricular activities such as varsity sports, band, academic triathlon, UIL, livestock shows, and 4-H and/or FFA activities.

**Community Service:** This section should list your involvement with community service projects while attending College. This may include things like; Komen Walk for the Cure, Helping Hand, visiting Nursing Homes, Local Food Bank, Recycle Drives, etc.

**Service to Church:** You may have participated in activities such as altar server, assistance with Vacation Bible School, Church Festival, church cemetery clean-ups, assisting the Knights of Columbus with our First Friday Fish Fry's, or other opportunities through the church.

**Essays:** There are two required essays. While proper writing style is appreciated, content is the most important factor to consider. The Scholarship Committee only has limited opportunities to get insight into your thoughts, hopes, desires and future goals. These Essays will assist them in developing a picture as to who you are and who you want to become. Note: any plagiarism in an application will be subject to automatic disqualification. Plagiarism means the practice of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off as your own. **DO NOT COPY PREVIOUS SCHOLARSHIP ESSAYS.**

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**STUDENT MUST BE A CATHOLIC.**

**Personal Contact Information**

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Family Member that is in the Knights of Columbus (circle one) Yes **No**

**If yes, include name of knight, relationship to you, and council number** \_\_\_\_\_

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WHAT COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL ARE YOU ATTENDING? : \_\_\_\_\_

**ARE YOU IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING:** (circle one) YES **NO**

IN WHAT SUBJECT HAVE YOU DECLARED YOUR MAJOR OR SPECIFIC TRADE (electrician, plumber, etc.)?  
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**Academic Information**

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**APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE AN OFFICIAL GRADE REPORT FOR THE MOST RECENT SEMESTERS WORK.**

**HAVE YOU INCLUDED THE REQUIRED GRADE REPORT OR OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT WITH THIS APPLICATION?**

(Circle one) Yes **No**

**Financial Information**

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Have you completed your FAFSA application (circle one) Yes **No**

# OF CHILDREN IN FAMILY: \_\_\_\_\_ # STILL AT HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ # IN COLLEGE OR TRADE SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? (Circle one) **YES NO**

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO WHAT AMOUNTS? \_\_\_\_\_

Do You Plan to live on Campus \_\_\_\_\_ or Off Campus \_\_\_\_\_ If Off Campus, will you be living at Home? \_\_\_\_\_

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**School Activities**

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List Groups, Clubs or Extra Curriculum that you have participated in during your time in college and any special recognition or awards received.

Year Involved	Organization	Recognition/Awards
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

(If additional space is required, use separate sheet of paper)

**Community Service**

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List All Community Service Projects you have been involved with and any special recognition or awards received in College.

Year Involved	Organization	Hours of Service
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

(If additional space is required, use separate sheet of paper)

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**Service to the Church**

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List All Church programs you have participated in and any ways you have assisted or offered special service to your parish community.

Year Involved	Sponsor or Contact	Hours of Service
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____

(If additional space is required, use separate sheet of paper)

**Essay**

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Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words on the topic of :

**“HOW THE CHURCH COMMUNITY HAS ENRICHED MY LIFE”**

Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words on the topic of :

**“WHAT I PLAN TO DO WITH MY EDUCATION”**

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RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION TO  
Charles Cleaver, P.O. Box 133 Bandera, Texas 78003 or emailed to ctleaver2@gmail.com.

**The Deadline is Wednesday, March 7, 2019**

**Applications not **received** by the Deadline will not be accepted.**

**All successful candidates will be required to provide the appropriate school information of where payments must be sent by September 19, 2019 so payments can be forwarded to the school for the Fall Semester. (Failure to provide the information by the due date will result in loss of any awarded scholarship)**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM. GOOD LUCK.