

**Knights of Columbus
Sangamon Valley Council #5754
Petersburg, Illinois**

March 1, 2019

Dear Graduate:

Congratulations on your pursuit of an education. The Knights of Columbus Council #5754 believes in higher education opportunities, academic achievement, and community service. We are pleased to provide opportunities for PORTA graduates to compete for the **William T. Kelly Scholarship FOR THE COLLEGE EDUCATION AFTER THE FIRST YEAR.**

Please see the enclosed Scholarship Fund Policy/Application Instruction Form and Official Application for more details.

Please send applications to:
Chairman of the Scholarship Committee
Knights of Columbus Council #5754
P.O. Box 41
Petersburg, IL 62675

Application to be post marked no later than: **May 1 ,2019**

May God grant you success and happiness in everything you do!

Respectfully,

K of C Council #5754

Knights of Columbus
Council #575
**William T. Kelly Scholarship Fund &
Application Instructions For 2019**

Deadline is: May 1 , 2019

Note: The information included in this application will only be used by the Scholarship Committee. After scholarships have been awarded, applications will be destroyed.

Scholarship Fund Policy

K of C Council #5754 believes in higher education opportunities for the youth in the faith communities we serve. The William T. Kelly Estate, through K of C Council #5754 has an established scholarship fund for graduating PORTA students pursuing higher education.

Each year, \$2,000 scholarship(s) may be awarded to eligible students. These scholarships are for ONE YEAR only and are not renewable.

1. Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, the applicant must meet (and provide Documentation supporting) the below criteria:

- Must have graduated from PORTA High School
- Must be currently attending an accredited university, college, or trade school as a full- time student.
- Must have demonstrated the qualities identified in the selection criteria

2. Selection Criteria

Applications for the Knights of Columbus William T. Kelly Scholarship shall be judged on basis of criterion identified below. Criteria will be evaluated annually. Criteria include: academic achievement, academic potential, academic honors, extracurricular activities, community service, and personal goals.

A Council Scholarship Review Committee consisting of 5 active members of Council #5754, assigned by the Grand Knight, will review applications for mandatory requirements, and bring a recommendation to the full Council for approval to award scholarships to successful applicants. This committee will also review facts pertaining to any extenuating circumstances that may be listed on applications and provide findings on these facts with their recommendations.

**Knights of Columbus
William T. Kelly Scholarship
Official 2019 College Scholarship Application**

This application must be completed fully, all questions answered, to receive consideration for a scholarship to be awarded by Council #5754. If there are any questions regarding completion of this application, please contact a member of Knights of Columbus Council #5754.

1. Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

High School Attending: _____

Methods of Contact:

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Were you employed (paid)? _____ yes _____ no

What type of work did you do? _____

How many hours did you work per week on average during school? _____

How many hours did you work weekly during summer vacation? _____

Provide the following information regarding your post high school education plans:

Name of Institution: _____

Location of Institution: _____

Degree/ Profession Sought: _____

Annual Cost of Education (full time): \$ _____ 2.

Academic Achievement

Current Grade Point Average: _____ PORTA _____ College

SAT Scores: Total _____, Reading _____ Math _____ Writing _____

ACT Scores: Total _____ Read _____ Eng _____ Math _____ Sci _____ Writ _____

Academic Honors (National Honor Society, National Merit Scholar, Valedictorian, etc):

***** For Sections 3-9 Below, Provide Answers on Additions Sheets of Paper*****

3. Extracurricular Activities

Describe the extracurricular activities (Band, Choir, Clubs, Yearbook, Athletics, etc) participated in during your high school and college years, indicate the number of years you participated in the activity and any leadership positions you held in relation to that activity. You may also provide any projects you led/directed while involved in those activities.

4. Community Service

Describe any social or service acts you participated in. These may include community service group projects, church and faith-based service projects, and other volunteer activities. Include the number of years you participated in these activities, and any office or leadership positions you held. You may also include specific projects you completed as part of your community service.

5. Personal Goals

Include an essay of no more than 500 words describing your personal goals and how your continued education will help you achieve those objectives.

6. Other Information

Include any additional information you feel will assist the scholarship committee in making a selection (letters of recommendation are Not required, but may be included).

Application and Documentation (Note: The applicant may attach additional pages for each of the items requested in the application.)

To be considered for a scholarship, an applicant must:

1. Complete the current 2019 scholarship application having answered all applicable questions.
2. Attach a certified transcript of his/her high school and higher education grades.
3. All documentation must reach the Committee NO LATER THAN the announced deadline for application. **Each applicant is responsible to see that the application reaches the Knights of Columbus Council by the deadline. There will be no exceptions.**

7. RETURN ALL APPLICATIONS TO:

**CHAIRMAN OF SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #5754
P.O. Box 41
PETERSBURG, IL 62675**

8. APPLICATION TO BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN: MAY1, 2019.

9. RENEWABILITY

Successful applicants must maintain a B average and remain in good standing. The scholarships are for ONE YEAR and are not renewable.

10. Contact: For questions or additional information concerning this scholarship program, contact: Chairman of the Scholarship Committee (217)691-3976.

Other Sources of Financial Support

Provide a listing of the other sources of support (financial aid, scholarships, grants, etc) and their status (pending, awarded, declined).

<u>Sources of Support (Amount)</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>Awarded</u>	<u>Declined</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

I, the undersigned verify that all the information provided in this application is true and accurate.

Print name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

Remember to Include:

- **Completed application**
- **Transcripts**
- **Personal Goals Essay**

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