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**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ALPINE COUNCIL #10118
SCHOLARSHIP**

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Introduction

Dear Queen of Angels Parish student,

The price of college has gone up year after year. It has risen at a rate far exceeding inflation and, more importantly, many families' ability to pay tuition. However, higher education provides an incredible opportunity to you. It will open doors to new adventures, life-long careers (or a multitude of different careers, if that is your desire), and lasting friendships. It is truly a wonderful path to take and you should be proud that you have chosen to attend college or a trade school. We are proud of you and your decision and we want to help.

Your Knights of Columbus Council have established a scholarship program supporting our college students in our Parish. That's you! To ensure the best approach for addressing this idea, a committee was formed and we worked hard to put together an application package that will allow you to adequately and fairly present yourself and your justification for earning a scholarship.

We also work hard to meet our goal to increase the amount provided to our students each year. So far, we have given out \$16,000! We would love to have you participate in our fundraisers – International Dinner is on 1 June this year.

We wish you the best of luck in your scholarship application and in your higher education journey. Our prayers go with you and we are always available to discuss the benefits and rewards of joining the Knights of Columbus.

God bless you,

The Knights of Columbus
Alpine Council #10118

Scholarship Fundamentals

We will present scholarships to practicing Queen of Angels students. Eligible students are high school seniors or current full-time college / trade school students.

Scholarships will be used to fund full-time tuition at an accredited school for the Fall 2019 academic year.

Presentation of scholarships will be after a Mass this spring. Attendance is required.

Applications will be available in the Church office.

Scholarship awards will be based upon Academics, Community Service, Financial Need, Activities / Leadership, Church Service, and Future Goals. Applications will also include Interviews and Letters of Recommendation.

The following documents provide the applicant with the complete package for applying. Additionally, the score sheet that the Scholarship Committee will use to determine the winners is attached for reference. Lastly, a survey is attached. Please fill out the survey to help us better serve future applicants.

Application Eligibility

Applicants must be a practicing Catholic and member of Queen of Angels Parish.

Applicants must be a senior in a Catholic, Public, Charter or accredited home high school or a full-time student at an accredited college or trade school. Scholarship winners will maintain full-time status.

Written applications must be complete and **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 10th** to be considered.

Applications will only be considered if fully completed. Lack of any required information or document may remove application from selection process.

Selection Process

Selection of recipients shall be on the basis of:

Academics	15 points
Community Service	10 points
Financial Need	10 points
Activities / Leadership	20 points

Church Service	10 points
Future Goals	20 points
Interview	15 points

Finalists will be selected from written applications and invited for a personal interview by the Committee.

General Information

Awards will be made by the Scholarship Committee based on applications and interview scores. The decisions of the Scholarship Committee shall be final.

Recipients and their schools will be notified by the Scholarship Committee in time for inclusion in their graduating awards ceremonies, if applicable.

The recipients may be asked to address the Parish at least one weekend (all three Masses) to encourage other students to apply for higher education and to apply for our scholarships.

Number of awardees and scholarship monetary amounts will be determined by the Scholarship Committee on an annual basis. Our goal is to most effectively help our Parish students.

Funds will be forwarded to the educational institutions where the recipients are enrolled as full-time students. Funds are then released by the institution to cover costs of tuition and books in accordance with the school's policies.

Failure of any recipient to fulfill all obligations and eligibility requirements as set forth may result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

Questions?

If you have any questions regarding the scholarship, the application, how to help us grow the program, and / or what the Knights of Columbus is all about, please contact us at:

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Application Form

1. Name _____ M _____ F _____

2. Date and place of birth _____

3. Mailing Address _____

4. Telephone _____ Email: _____

5. High School _____ Years: _____ to _____

6. High School GPA: _____ of _____ possible. Please attach official High School transcript to this form.

7. If applicable, college / trade school GPA: _____ of _____ possible. Please attach official transcript to this form, if possible. If not possible, please identify point of contact to verify transcript cannot be released:

Name: _____ Title: _____ Phone: _____

8. Church Involvement:

_____ Years: _____ to _____
_____ Years: _____ to _____
_____ Years: _____ to _____

9. Service Club Affiliation:

_____ Years: _____ to _____
_____ Years: _____ to _____
_____ Years: _____ to _____

10. Please attach a list of leadership activities, awards you've received, offices held and years the offices were held. (Limit two typewritten, double-spaced pages)

11. Please attach a list of other activities in which you participated during high school, school affiliated or not. Include recognition and awards you have received. (Limit two typewritten, double-spaced pages)

12. Please attach a copy of your college acceptance letter including the college mailing address. (High School graduating seniors only)

13. Please attach proof that you are a full-time student of a college or trade school, if applicable.
14. In your own words, on an attached sheet, please set forth facts which justify your need for financial assistance. (Limit two type-written, double-spaced pages)
15. In your own words, on an attached sheet, please set forth your career goals. (Limit two type-written, double-spaced pages)
16. Please secure TWO letters of recommendation from persons such as:
 - A. High School Principal, Teacher, Counselor, Pastor, etc.
 - B. Someone (not family) who has known you for at least five years and can attest to your good citizenship, morals and dedication.
17. Please have a Counselor, Teacher or Service Club Advisor complete the attached Report on Applicant by Counselor, Teacher or Service Club Advisor. Please do not use the same people that wrote your two letters of recommendation in Item #16 above.
18. All requested material, including the Report on Applicant, should be sent as a complete package by applicant to:

K OF C Scholarship Foundation, Alpine Council #10118
P. O. Box 1600
Alpine, CA. 91903-1600

Finalists will be contacted to schedule a personal interview.

Applicant Checklist

- Application form completed and typed
- Official School Transcript
- List of Church activities, awards, etc.
- List of other activities, school affiliated or not
- College acceptance letter (graduating High School seniors) or proof of college full-time attendance (college students)
- Financial need write-up
- Career goals paragraph
- Report on applicant (counselor, teacher, service club advisor)
- Two letters of recommendation from people not doing a report on applicant above
- Survey taken and submitted
- Postmarked by May 10th.

Report on Applicant

This report is to be completed by a Counselor, Teacher or Service Club Advisor and mailed by applicant, with the completed application package, to the Scholarship Committee.

Name of Applicant _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

To what degree do you recommend this applicant for a scholarship?

- _____ HIGHLY
- _____ GOOD DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE
- _____ FAIR DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE
- _____ WITH SOME DOUBT
- _____ NOT AT ALL

Please indicate your personal rating of the applicant.

	EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	POOR
SCHOLARSHIP	_____	_____	_____	_____
PERSONALITY	_____	_____	_____	_____
LEADERSHIP	_____	_____	_____	_____
CITIZENSHIP	_____	_____	_____	_____
MOTIVATION	_____	_____	_____	_____

Comments: _____

Date _____ Signed _____

Title _____

Printed Name _____

Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____

Thank you for participating in this student's application process. Please return this letter to the applicant. You may put your report into a sealed envelope with the applicant's name on the front if you wish to keep your responses private.

Applicant: Please ensure this report is included in your application package when you submit it in full.

Student Survey

The Knights of Columbus are continually improving their scholarship program to help our Queen of Angels college students. In order to make this program the best it can be, we would appreciate your help in answering a few questions. Please do not put your name on this survey so it will remain anonymous. The Scholarship Committee will not review the survey results until the scholarships are awarded to ensure no bias is introduced into the process so please be fair and honest in this survey. Thank you in advance.

1. What grade are you in?

2. Are you aware of the cost of college tuition, books, room and board, etc? What do you think one full-time year at San Diego State would cost?

3. Have you explored college scholarship opportunities before? Why and which ones ?

4. Some scholarships are open to students across the nation (for example, the Coca Cola scholarship) and some are restricted to a small number of students (for example, descendants of military officers or Norwegian-American students). Which type would you likely apply for and why?

5. Some scholarships are for full tuition and some are for \$150 or less. What monetary amount would you apply for and why? What is the lowest amount of award money you would apply for? Why?

6. In regards to this scholarship, do you feel the application allowed you to adequately reflect you and who you are? If not, what changes do you think we should make?

7. What do you think about the Knights of Columbus? What do you think they do?

8. Do you think you will continue going to Mass when you go to college? Please explain.

9. Please give us any comments that you feel will help us get more kids interested in this scholarship or comments on how to make the application process work better or any general comments you may have.

Please submit your survey with your application package. Surveys will be removed and not reviewed until after the awards are made. Please keep your survey anonymous, too.