



Andrew Tompkins Memorial College Scholarship Award



Andrew Joseph Tompkins was born to Diana and Paul Tompkins on Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998. He is survived by two sisters, Marion and Julia. He received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation at our family parish, Queen of Angels Church in Alpine, California. He was very active in our parish as a member of the children's choir, a long-time altar server, a member of the 412 Church Youth Ministry Group, and he attended the Steubenville Youth Conferences throughout his high school years.

Andrew graduated from Granite Hills High School in 2016 and attended the University of La Verne (ULV) on an academic scholarship to study business marketing. He received the Knights of Columbus scholarship award for the two years he attended ULV and was grateful to the Knights Council for the financial support. Andrew had a passion for learning. He was an Honor Student and an accomplished swimmer and diver in high school and college.

Unfortunately, Andrew was diagnosed with cancer in his second year of college and was forced to suspend his studies while he had surgery and went through chemotherapy for several months. After a very tough battle, the Lord called him home on September 22, 2019 at the age of 21. While Andrew's time at ULV was short, he completed enough units to receive his Associate of Arts degree (posthumous). He was a natural born student and loved school and university life. He would be honored to know that this scholarship fund is now named after him. Indeed, his family is honored that Andrew's memory will live on through all students who go off to college with big hopes and dreams and remain strong in the Catholic faith.

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Introduction

Dear Queen of Angels Parish student,

The cost 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 a university, college, or a trade school. We are proud of you and your decision and we want to help.

Your Knights of Columbus Council has 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 over \$30,000! The Knights of Columbus Council would love to have you participate in our future scholarship fundraisers.

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
Queen of Angels Council 10118

Scholarship Fundamentals

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

Scholarships will be used to fund full-time tuition at an accredited school for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Presentation of scholarships will be after a Mass this summer. Attendance is encouraged.

Applications will be available in the Church office and on the Parish website.

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.

Electronic applications must be complete and **EMAILED NO LATER THAN 11:59PM ON JUNE 30th** to be considered. All applications should be emailed to jwoestman703@gmail.com

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

Scholarship winners will be required to provide official documentation of enrollment from the registrar's office from their respective school.

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.

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. No funds will be directly distributed to the students.

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

Scholarship winners will be required to provide official documentation of enrollment from the registrar's office from their respective school.

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 email package by applicant to: jwoestman703@gmail.com

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

Emailed by 11:59pm on June 30th

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.

Application Scoresheet

* This form will be filled out by Scholarship Committee members.

Applicant Name:	Letter of Rec (Strong / Ave / Poor)	Academics (15 pts)	Community Service (10 pts)	Financial Need (10 pts)	Activities / Leadership (20 pts)	Church Service (10 pts)	Future Goals (20 pts)	Interview (15 pts)	Total Points (100 pts)

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

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

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.