

Joyce Bytof Memorial Cancer Survivors Scholarship

Background:

Cancer survivors appreciate life more than most. Imagine if you will, being a child and a cancer survivor. After what has been a horrific ordeal, this child is now ready to begin life again. Most have dreamt of college, only to understand some very humbling facts. First, their family has more than likely been financially set back by this disease. They've probably missed a good share of school, so their academic achievements probably won't qualify for any kind of scholarship. And sport achievement, well that went out the window the day they heard the word "cancer." Joyce Bytof, herself fought this awful disease, and wanted to help students who have dealt with it as well. In 2007, Joyce established a fund in collaboration with the American Cancer Society to award scholarships to a survivor of childhood cancer who was graduating from high school and wanted to continue their education at a college, university, or technical college.



After a long and courageous battle with cancer, Joyce passed away on October 31, 2013. Her family wanted to carry on her legacy by establishing the Joyce Bytof Memorial Cancer Survivors Scholarship in her memory.

Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Childhood cancer patients/survivors who are graduating or have graduated from a public or private high school in one of the following school districts:
 - o Appleton School District
 - Freedom School District
 - Hortonville School District
 - Kaukauna School District
 - o Kimberly School District
 - o Little Chute School District
 - Menasha School District
 - Neenah School District
 - Students home schooled in one of the districts listed above
- Planning to attend, or continuing their education at an accredited college, university or technical college as a fulltime or part-time student
- Commitment to academic and educational goals
- Financial need will be considered
- Students are encouraged to apply each year they are eligible

Award Amount:

Number and amount of awards may vary.

Selection:

Recipients are recommended each spring by the Joyce Bytof Memorial Cancer Survivors Scholarship Selection Committee within the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region.

Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the <u>Scholarship Portal</u> (https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents as instructed in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

Loss of Eligibility

Failure to maintain a full-time or part-time student status in good standing.

Further Information:

- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
 - Website <u>www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/</u>
 - o Email scholarships@cffoxvalley.org
 - o Phone 920.702.7623