

Phyllis Wormwood Scholarship

Background:

Phyllis Wormwood was born in Appleton and taught English, Spanish, and Drama at Seymour High School from 1949 to 1956. She also taught English at Neenah High School for one year before moving to New York City. There she earned a Master of Art degree in speech education and a Master of Science degree in library science from Columbia University. She was employed with the New York Public Library for 23 years before she retired in 1994 and returned to Appleton. Phyllis had a desire to help others, especially children, through education. Prior to her death, she established a charitable bequest as a way to leave a legacy of caring.



Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Graduating seniors from Seymour High School
- Planning to pursue a degree in English, Education, History, or Literature at an accredited college or university as a part-time or full-time student
- Minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA
- Demonstrated strong character traits
- Preference will be given to candidates with strong interest in English and a commitment to teaching, preferably teaching English at the secondary school level
- Financial need will be considered

Award Amount:

One \$11,000 renewable scholarship award for cost of attendance. The scholarship will be paid annually over a 4year period as follows:

- \$2,000 for the freshman year
- \$2,000 for the sophomore year
- \$3,000 per year for the junior year
- \$4,000 per year for the senior year

Selection:

Recipients are recommended each spring by the Seymour High School Scholarship Selection Committee.

Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and a 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 part-time or full-time student status with a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA and majoring in English, Education, History or Literature.

Further Information:

- Seymour Community High School Guidance Office
 - Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
 - o Website <u>www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/</u>
 - o Email <u>scholarships@cffoxvalley.org</u>
 - o Phone 920.702.7629