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Available NDEA SCHOLARSHIPS

$100 Scholarships to active SNDEA members
Each year one student from each active SNDEA chapter (nine college campuses) is eligible to receive a $100 scholarship from the NDEA. Scholarship recipients are selected by the local SNDEA chapter advisor, NDHEA chapter president, the education department chairperson or dean and the director of student teaching. A $100 check is presented to the chosen SNDEA member from each campus at the SNDEA Representative Assembly held in October. The scholarship can be used to defray any educational expenses the student has incurred.

$500 NDEA Foundation Scholarship
The North Dakota Education Association Foundation awards a $500 scholarship to an outstanding student who is preparing for a career in education. The winner is selected by the Board of Trustees of the Foundation.

Application forms must be submitted by March 15 and include:
1. A copy of the applicant’s college transcript
2. Three (3) letters of recommendation; at least one coming from an educator
3. An essay of 300 to 500 words on the applicant’s goals, strengths, and weaknesses

*To be eligible a student must be registered full-time in a teacher education program, has maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average and maintains membership in the NEA Student Program.

$500 Bill Oban Special Education Scholarship
Through a donation made by the family of State Representative Bill Oban, the foundation offers a scholarship dedicated to individuals pursuing a career in special education. The Oban scholarship is in addition to the general education scholarships provided by the Foundation.

Application forms must be submitted by March 15 and include:
1. A copy of the applicant’s college transcript
2. Three (3) letters of recommendation; at least one coming from an educator
3. An essay of 300 to 500 words on the applicant’s goals, strengths, and weaknesses

**The essay should include reference to the applicant’s special education philosophy.

*To be eligible a student must be registered, full-time undergraduate student in a teacher education program, preparing for a career in Special Education, have maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average and maintain membership in the NEA Student Program.

$500 Minority Scholarship
To encourage and assist minorities to enter the profession of teaching, one (1) $500 scholarship is awarded annually upon the recommendation of the NDEA’s Minority Affairs Commission.

The applicant must be a minority undergraduate student in good standing enrolled in a North Dakota teacher education program. The dollar amount will be forwarded to the institution in which the recipient is enrolled to defer the usual expenses for the semester following the award.

Applications must be postmarked by March 15 and include:
1. A copy of the applicant’s college transcript
2. One (1) letter of recommendation from a college professor
3. One (1) personal letter (not more than two typed pages; double spaced) outlining your goals, interests/activities, need, and reasons for pursuing a career in teaching

**Application forms are available on the NDEA website - www.nea.org
Your help changes the lives of kids in Ethiopia.

- $1 pays for the publication of one book.
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- $3,000 sends an experienced teacher from the U.S. to Ethiopia, to share literacy tools with other teachers.
- $5,000 pays for the publication of a book in an Ethiopian language.
LaGrave Learning Center After-School Program

The Grand Forks Housing Authority has operated this program at the LaGrave Place apartment complex since 1995. It serves children in grade school who live in the complex and surrounding neighborhood.

The purpose of the program is to offer children a safe and fun environment during after school hours. We also operate the program in the belief that it supports the employment and educational pursuits of residents who are seeking to leave assistance programs. We do not charge for this program.

The program includes the following:

Daily: Snack, computer access, play time - which may include games, playground activities, craft activities, and reading. Support for kids who have homework/school assignments is available at all times.

Weekly: Intergenerational activities with residents of the Cherry Heights and Oak Manor apartments. These residents are elderly as well as non-elderly disable adults. One day each week is dedicated to educational activities involving computer use.

Other: Special activities are provided on a regular basis by organizations such as the NDSU Extension Service and others. Holidays and other special events are recognized in the programming.

How it works: Children are signed up in advance by their parents. Kids can join at any time during the school year. Most walk from Phoenix Elementary; some are provided rides by parents. The program allows for children who have after school activities, such as music, church, or sports on certain days. This program is intended to be a balanced offering of recreation, support for basic education, and special events, which enrich children’s lives. Children are required to have parental permission to leave the Center.

The program runs from 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM every school day. Parents are required to pick up their children. During the course of the year we have regular contact with the parents of the children to ensure their needs are being met. Rules regarding behavior are in the place and are enforced for the benefit of everyone involved.

A professional Social Worker serving the LaGrave Place residents in the role of Service Coordinators is available to assist children and parents with problems and issues which arise during the program.