



The Community Foundation
of Western North Carolina

WALTER “POP” JARVIS SCHOLARSHIP

Fact Sheet

DESCRIPTION

When Pop first visited the town of Crossnore in 1948, he saw a great need to help the children of this small mountain community. Working at the Crossnore School as a teacher, coach and house parent, Pop became to many a father figure, teaching the boys right from wrong and instilling in them values to help guide them through life.

In 1999, friends and former students of Pop’s created a scholarship fund in his name. Contributions were used to establish a permanent scholarship endowment fund for students at Avery County High School. The fund honors his life of devotion to helping others, and his loyalty to the community. This scholarship continues Pop’s lifelong work of helping young people make positive decisions and fulfill their potential.

ELIGIBILITY

Two (2) one-time \$1,000 scholarships will be available this year to a graduating senior of Avery County High School who plans to pursue full-time higher education at any accredited college, university, community college or trade school within the U.S. The Community Foundation scholarships will be awarded without regard to age, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religious belief, or any other characteristic protected by law.

CRITERIA

- Strong moral character
- Financial need
- Academic ability
- Community service (contributions to school and the larger community)
- Extracurricular activities and/or work experience

APPLICATION AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, students must complete an application available in the office of the guidance/college counselor of Avery County High School. The application, with required attachments (see application checklist), must be returned to the high school guidance department on or before the stated student deadline.

ESSAY OR EQUIVALENT

An essay is not required for this scholarship.

SELECTION PROCESS

Based on the stated criteria, an advisory committee for the Walter “Pop” Jarvis scholarship will screen applications and select recipients. Scholarship recipients are subject to approval by the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

PAYMENT OF AWARD

Payment of the scholarship award will be made at the beginning of the school year. This scholarship is a one-time award.

Students must notify The Community Foundation of the receipt of any other educational grants or scholarship assistance as soon as the student receives notification of these awards.

Students must also notify The Community Foundation of any change in plans, such as transfer to another school, interruption in attendance, reduction in course load or discontinuance of school. Scholarship recipients who transfer to another college are expected to provide The Community Foundation with an official statement from that college, indicating that they have been granted admission.

The scholarship recipient must provide The Community Foundation with a copy of the official transcript from the school he/she attended at the end of the school year for which the scholarship is received. An official transcript is one obtained from the institution (not online) which bears an official school seal.

**DOWNLOAD THE COMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION,
CONTACT THE AVERY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE DEPT. FOR AN APPLICATION,
OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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