



# JIMMY DERRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

IN MEMORY OF JIMMY DERRY

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

We are pleased to announce the funds are available to offer two (2) one-time \$2000.00 scholarships to two graduating seniors at DeKalb High School. Funds are derived from the annual Jimmy Derry Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament. Tournament participants and monetary contributions from community businesses, families, and individuals continue to make this scholarship possible.

It is important every student-athlete understand the importance of education on and off the playing field, therefore we as a non-profit, see the importance in attempting to maintain funds specifically designated to furthering students education after high school.

We are presenting these scholarships in memory of Jimmy Derry. Jimmy was a 2009 graduate of DeKalb High School who was a proud student-athlete and member of the varsity football and basketball teams for 4 years. Jimmy excelled in the classroom as well as on the field and court, but remembered the importance of leadership. Characteristics such as these, are a model for young student-athletes to possess. Jimmy passed away as a result of an automobile accident in 2012, but his hard work and dedication to his education and athletics are still ever present today. We are pleased to present these scholarships to two individuals who possess similar leadership characteristics on and off the competitive field, in memory of Jimmy Derry.

## APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Applicant must have maintained a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- ✓ Applicant must be furthering their education at a 4-year University, Junior College, or Trade School
- ✓ Applicant must have participated in an at least one sport/extra-curricular activity throughout high school
- ✓ Applicant must have attended DeKalb High School all 4 years of their secondary education
- ✓ Applicant must provide 2 character reference letters – author must be someone other than a family member
- ✓ Applicant must complete the application process and return by the designated deadline date
- ✓ Funds will be distributed at the beginning of the student’s first semester upon verification of enrollment

## PRIOR RECIPIENTS

2014 – KATIE CHRISTGEN  
2017 – MALLORY DITTEMORE  
2020 – BAYLEE KNORR

2015 – RYLEIGH REAGAN  
2018 – ELIZABETH GUNTER  
2021 – ASHTYNN GRIFFIN

2016 – JACQUELINE JANORSCHKE  
2019 – RIAN GODDARD  
2022 – REBECCA GUNTER  
2023 – LAINIE VOGAN & RYLIE JOHNSON

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport(s)/Extra-Curricular Activity(ies): \_\_\_\_\_

University/College/Trade School: \_\_\_\_\_

Area/Emphasis of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

University/College/Trade School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

Please answer the following questions (in typed format) in complete sentences.

1. Community involvement is important for rural towns/communities. Why do you think this is so?
2. It is important to set an example for others. Leadership is key in many environments. Briefly explain how you have become a leader in a past situation that sets you apart from fellow group members.

## **APPLICATION ESSAY**

In an attached typed essay (minimum one page, 12 pt font), please utilize a real-life example of a life changing moment that has helped define who you are as a person today.

(Please utilize correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc.)