



SALEM-KEIZER EDUCATION FOUNDATION

MISSION

The Salem Keizer Education Foundation is a catalyst for the enhancement of the education and development of all Salem-Keizer youth by providing resources for creative and innovative programs and materials, educating and mobilizing the community, and sustaining collaborative partnerships that support its goals.

HISTORY

The Salem-Keizer Education Foundation (SKEF) was founded in 1982 and is the oldest community-based non-profit organization in Oregon dedicated to enriching the quality of education in its public schools.

SKEF supports an academic culture of teaching and learning in these specific ways:

- Innovation Grants
- Subject Initiatives
 - Literacy
 - Math, Science & Technology
 - Environmental Studies
 - Multicultural Literacy
 - Arts
- Professional Development for Teachers
- Enrichment Academy
 - Before and After School Programs and Summer Camps
 - Learning Gardens
- Enrichment Academy Tutoring
- School Supply Depot
- Instruments for Kids
- Crystal Apple Awards
- Awesome 3000
- Bazillion Books for Kids

Friend of the Arts Scholarship

This scholarship perpetuates the passion of a former educator.

A former Salem-Keizer educator saw the benefit of visual art education in the lives of young people and adults. This scholarship is an intent to perpetuate this benefit to the lives of Salem-Keizer students.

This scholarship is for a graduating Salem Keizer senior who plans on pursuing a degree in the visual arts. The scholarship may be applied for again with evidence that the student is enrolled with passing grades at the higher education institution of their choice.

**“It took me four years to paint like Raphael,
but a lifetime to paint like a child.”**

—Pablo Picasso

Application

This application has been designed to be simple, yet allow us to get to know you. Please complete the information requested on the application form. In addition, please include:

1. A brief (not to exceed two pages) essay explaining how art makes a difference in your life and why you have chosen to pursue a profession in arts education.
2. Copy of acceptance letter from the post-secondary institution you will attend.
3. One letter of reference addressed to the Friend of the Arts Scholarship committee, from an adult who has known you for more than one year.
4. Copy of high school transcript.

For more information:

Visit the foundation's website at skeducationfoundation.org

Question and Answer

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

This scholarship is for a young man or woman who will graduate from a Salem Keizer Public High School and who is in good standing. This scholarship is for a senior student who will pursue post secondary education towards a visual arts education career.

HOW CAN IT BE USED?

The scholarship is a one year, potentially renewable scholarship of an amount to be determined by the selection committee. The scholarship may be used for conventional academic purposes such as tuition, books, fees, room and board. In honor of the true spirit of creativity, the scholarship may also be used for those items necessary to get into and stay in post secondary education. For example, purchase of equipment and supplies, certification classes, memberships, or transportation.

HOW CAN I QUALIFY?

Student must have a diploma or alternative diploma from Salem Keizer Public Schools, meet the application criteria and submit all requested information by the deadline. If this a renewal application, student must provide evidence of enrollment and passing grades.

WHERE CAN I GET AN APPLICATION?

Applications are available at all high school counseling offices and art departments. Applications may also be downloaded at www.skeducationfoundation.org or requested by calling SKEF at (503) 364-2933.

WHEN ARE APPLICATIONS DUE?

Completed applications must be postmarked by second Friday of May. They may be mailed or hand-delivered with all attachments to SKEF at 223 Commercial St NE Salem, OR 97301 or sent thru inter-district mail. Successful applicants will be notified prior to graduation or the completion of the term.

QUESTIONS?

Please call us at (503) 364-2933

The committee reserves the right to interview applicants prior to final decision.

APPLICATION FORM

You may attach a separate page.

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Temporary or College Address (if applicable) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

College Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

High School _____ Grad. Year _____ GPA _____

1. Please describe a time when you were in a leadership role and when you led by example.
2. What activities are you involved with in or out of school?
Have you ever exhibited any of your art?
3. Where do you plan to attend school after graduation?
4. Do we have permission to share your story publicly?