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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

LESLIE B. DURST SCHOLARSHIP

Purpose: Tuition assistance to pursue any of the arts, at an accredited college or university

The arts include: Fine Arts, Literary Arts, Moving Image Arts, Music, Dance, and Theatre, including Technical Theatre.

This scholarship is a multi-year scholarship, renewable for up to three additional consecutive years, by presentation of a letter of interest from the student, a current, official transcript, and confirmation of continued full-time enrollment status from the educational institution. A minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA must be maintained. All monies will be paid directly to the college or university upon receipt of this information.

Eligibility: To apply for this scholarship, the student must:

- be a graduating senior of the Vancouver School of Arts and Academics (VSAA)
- be graduating from VSAA with a minimum 2.5 GPA

Deadline: Your application, letters of recommendation, official sealed transcript and other attachments must be received on or before **April 30, 2012.**

Application and supporting materials must be completed online or typewritten and double-spaced in 12-point font.

As you fill out this application, please think about what your career goals are, what your community means to you, and what you, as a citizen hope to offer to make your community a better place to live.

WHERE DO I SEND MY APPLICATION?

Please mail or hand-deliver one complete original application packet to:

Community Foundation for Southwest Washington
Leslie B Durst Scholarship
1053 Officers Row
Vancouver, WA 98661

The application and supporting materials become the property of the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington and will not be returned. It is recommended that you keep a copy for your files. All information will remain confidential.

If you have additional questions about this application, please contact:

Anne Digenis
Donor Services and Grants Officer
Community Foundation for Southwest Washington
360.694.2550 or Anne@cfsww.org

OR

Bonnie Little
Vancouver School of Arts and Academics
360.313.4607

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I SEND IN MY APPLICATION?

Applications and supporting materials are reviewed by a scholarship committee of the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington, with final recommendations from the committee submitted to the Community Foundation Board of Directors for approval.

Recipients are sent an award letter, outlining what the scholarship is designated for and how to access scholarship funds. Applicants not selected to receive a scholarship are also sent written notification. Every effort is made to notify students of funding decisions by June 15.

SECTION A - STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City and State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

List school activities:

List academic achievements/honors:

List community involvement/service:

SECTION B - COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, CAREER, TECHNICAL, TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL (ACCREDITED OR CERTIFIED)

Which college, university, career, technical, trade or vocational school do you plan to attend?

Have you been accepted? If not, when will you be notified?

SECTION C - FAMILY INFORMATION

Father's Name _____

Is your father living? Yes No

Father's Occupation _____

Is your father employed? Yes No

Mother's Name _____

Is your mother living? Yes No

Mother's Occupation _____

Is your mother employed? Yes No

Do you live with your parents? Yes No

If not, with whom?

How many brothers/sisters do you have? _____

How many brothers/sisters are younger than you? _____

How many in your family will be in college next year? _____

Unusual Circumstances: If applicable, please describe how and when any unusual family or personal circumstances have affected your achievement in school, work experience, or your participation in school and community activities.

How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity?

Community Foundation Website (www.cfsww.org)

High School Counselor

TheWashBoard.Org (www.thewashboard.org)

Other:

SECTION D - ATTACHMENTS

- An essay of approximately 250 words expressing why you should be awarded the Leslie B. Durst Scholarship.
- An official sealed copy of your current high school transcript (online transcripts and grade reports are not acceptable).
- Two letters of reference addressed to the Leslie B. Durst Scholarship Committee. *Only one from school personnel may be submitted; letters from immediate or extended family members are not acceptable.*
- A portfolio, tape or other material – clearly labeled with your name - showing your work, to date, in the arts

CERTIFICATION:

I acknowledge decisions of the Scholarship Advisory Committee and the Community Foundation are final and that this is a competitive selection process.

I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that intentional misrepresentation is cause for disqualification of the **Leslie B. Durst Scholarship**. I understand that the scholarship advisory committee shall review information on this form and all attachments, and if asked, I agree to provide proof of information I have given on this form.

I give permission for the scholarship advisory committee to contact my references and school officials for additional academic or character reference information.

If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release, including the use of my name and photographic image.

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____