

Dr. Joe & Debbie Kite Scholarship Fund

Through the generosity of Dr. Joe Kite, a scholarship endowment fund was established for Vermilion Catholic High School in 2014. The interest from this fund is used to provide an annual scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 for one student who attends Vermilion Catholic. The scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis and students who apply must meet specific criteria as outlined in the application packet.

Scholarship applications may be downloaded from the Vermilion Catholic High School website after February 1. The deadline for applying for the scholarships to be awarded for the 2021-2022 school year is **February 15, 2023**. The scholarships will be awarded in May.

Purpose of the Scholarship

This fund was established to provide the opportunity for students to attend Vermilion Catholic High School by receiving tuition assistance.

General Information

A scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each will be awarded to a needy student planning to attend Vermilion Catholic High School. Applications will be accepted from students currently attending Vermilion Catholic High School as well as students enrolled in other schools who would like to attend VC.

Application Requirements

Submit a completed application with all required documentation to the Vermilion Catholic bookkeeping office by the application deadline. All information the student would like considered must be submitted at the same time. This includes school transcripts and any letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation may be submitted in sealed envelopes if desired. Questions regarding completion of the scholarship application may be directed to Jackie I. Nash, bookkeeper for Vermilion Catholic at 337-893-6636.

A financial application must be completed online with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment by the time of application submission, as per the instructions on their website at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/43ZB2>. A processing fee will be assessed by FACTS. Omission of any information requested by FACTS or the processing fee will delay processing of your application. A report will be forwarded to the school by FACTS for the school to use in determining qualification of the applicant. If you have any questions regarding the completion of the financial application, please feel free to contact FACTS at 866-315-9262

Only the principal and the bookkeeper at VC will review financial information. No financial information will be given to the faculty committee awarding the scholarship.

Incomplete applications could result in the student being ineligible for the award. Late submissions of information will NOT be considered.

Completed scholarship applications must be turned in to the bookkeeping office at Vermilion Catholic High School by the application deadline.

Award of Scholarship

A committee of Vermilion Catholic faculty members will review the applications and award the scholarships. The Vermilion Catholic High School bookkeeping office will notify the winner of the scholarship.

Qualifications

Applicants for the scholarships must meet the following criteria:

NEED:

Financial information from the parents must be provided as requested in this application packet. All financial information will be kept strictly confidential and will be used solely to ensure the need for tuition assistance.

Determination of need and qualification of this criterion shall be done by the principal and bookkeeper at Vermilion Catholic using the FACTS Grant & Assessment Report. No financial information shall be given to the faculty committee awarding the scholarship.

DESIRE:

Each applicant will be required to submit a one page typewritten essay entitled “What I Can Contribute to Vermilion Catholic High School” and signed by the student verifying that the student authored the essay. This essay will be given significant weight in the determination of this award. Students should put considerable effort and thought into this essay.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT:

Each applicant will be required to submit transcripts of grades from the school. A student’s scholastic eligibility will be determined by the school administration. In the case of an incoming freshman, the transcript would include junior high grades.

LEADERSHIP:

Each applicant will be required to submit evidence of leadership activities. These can be listed with the extra-curricular activities (offices held, special project leadership) and/or through letters of recommendation from teachers, administrators, pastors, or other attesting to leadership activities.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Each applicant will be required to submit a list of extra curricular activities in which they participate. These can be school-based (band, quiz bowl, sports, etc.) and/or community- based (Scouts, church youth group, etc.).

WORK ETHIC:

Each applicant will be required to submit a letter of recommendation from someone that can describe how the applicant has exhibited a strong work ethic. This trait should demonstrate the applicant's desire to achieve goals whether related to their academic performance, community involvement or job related duties outside of school.

CHURCH PARTICIPATION:

Each applicant will be required to submit a letter of recommendation from their pastor describing their involvement in the church. This letter should also describe how the applicant serves as a Christian role model to others.

SCHOOL SPIRIT:

Each applicant will be required to submit a list of school related extra curricular activities in which they participate. These can include athletics, band, quiz bowl, etc. along with any recognition or awards they may have received for their participation.

CHECK LIST OF ITEMS THAT MUST BE INCLUDED IN

APPLICATION PACKET: (FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN USE)

- Application Form
- School Transcripts
- Letters of Recommendation
 - Pastor
 - Academic Community
- Essay

FACTS WILL PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF FINANCIAL NEED DIRECTLY TO VERMILION CATHOLIC.

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APPLICATION STUDENT INFORMATION (please print or type):

Full Name

Gender

Address

Social Security Number

City, State Zip

Date of Birth

Phone Number

PARENT INFORMATION (please print or type):

Father's Name

Home phone

Address

Work Phone

City, State Zip

Mother's Name

Home phone

Address

Work Phone

City, State Zip

Extra-Curricular Activities/Leadership

On a separate sheet please list all extracurricular activities in which you have participated during high school. These activities include both school-based programs such as band, sports, Beta Club as well as community based programs such as Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts, Youth Group, Altar server.

Include in the list of extra-curricular activities all leadership positions you have held. You may also obtain letters of recommendation from teachers, administrators, pastors or others attesting to your leadership activities.

“What I Can Contribute to Vermilion Catholic High School”

(Please provide an essay no longer than one page typewritten explaining what you feel you will be able to contribute to your school and community through your attendance of Vermilion Catholic High School.)

I verify that all of the information contained within this application packet is true and accurate. I verify that the essay submitted with this application is my original work.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Mother's Signature

Date

Father's Signature

Date