



KJ7 Education Foundation Combined Scholarship Application Guidelines

The Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation will award scholarships for the pursuit of post-secondary education to qualified high school seniors graduating from Kendrick High School.

Students may use this combined application to apply for the following three scholarships. Please check all scholarship(s) you are qualified and interested in applying for:

- The **Benscoter Lyle Galloway Scholarships** are funded through generous endowment gifts to the Foundation, and are awarded every year to support the post-secondary educational goals of students graduating from Kendrick High School. The endowment was established by Richard and Vicky Benscoter in the belief that quality of life and ability to achieve life goals are rooted in education. Four generations of the Benscoter family were born and raised and worked their farms on American Ridge, so their own roots are deep in the community, and they are committed to ensuring its future. The scholarship fund also honors the memory of family members William and Dorothy Lyle, who likewise believed in and supported the Kendrick Juliaetta and 7 Ridges community. In 2025 Patti and Larry Galloway, whose own pioneer farming roots on Big Bear Ridge are deep, gave additional monies from their estate to further endow the scholarship. Patti worked in the medical field for many years and Larry was an electrician. **All graduating seniors and alumni from KHS qualify for this scholarship.**
- The **Lesley Gold-Kopp Scholarship** was initiated in the year 2020. Lesley Gold-Kopp (KHS class of 1968) was the daughter of Richard and Vicky Benscoter. This scholarship was started by Lesley's classmates at KHS as a memorial and remembrance for her and her career as a nurse. This scholarship will be awarded on an annual basis to KHS graduates entering the **nursing, medical or dental field.**
- The **Parks Family Scholarship** was started many years ago by Luther Parks, a long time Kendrick Joint School District Board Member. While in years past, the school district has awarded this scholarship, in recent years the KJ7 Education Foundation has the privilege of awarding it on behalf of the Parks Family. This scholarship award is granted to those who are seeking to enter fields relating to **Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.** The Parks Family, who have continued the scholarship with annual contributions, feel these educational pursuits are of the utmost importance, especially in years to come.

Scholarship Eligibility

- Applicant must be a graduating senior at Kendrick High School or a KHS alumni applying within 5 years of graduation year.
- Applicant must plan on attending an accredited college, university, community college, technical school or any educational course(s) that result in a certificate.

Scholarship Application Process

- Applications are available from the Senior Counselor/Advisor at Kendrick Senior High School, and online at <https://www.kj7educationfoundation.org/>
- Applications must be completed fully, accurately, and neatly.
- Applications may be typed or handwritten. Handwriting must be neat and legible.
- The required student essay must be attached to the application.
- A copy of the student high school transcript must be included.

- Two letters of recommendation must be included: one from school staff and one from a community member familiar with the student's qualifications for this scholarship.
- Completed applications must be submitted to the applicant's counselor/advisor by April 30th, submitted through the KJ7 website <https://www.kj7educationfoundation.org/>, or mailed to the Kendrick Juliaetta and 7 Ridges Education Foundation. Mailed applications must be received by April 30, 2026.
- Applications lacking any of the required documents listed below will not be considered.

Scholarship Applications
PO Box 503
Juliaetta, ID 83535

Required Documents

- Completed application, signed and dated
- Student essay
- Official copy of student's high school transcript
- Two letters of recommendation

Notification of Scholarship Winners

- The applicant's guidance counselor/Advisor will notify the applicant by mid-May if a scholarship has been awarded.

Benefits & Conditions of Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation Scholarship Awards

- This scholarship will help to pay for tuition and fees at the college, university, community college, technical school or education continuation course(s) of the applicant's choice during fall and spring semesters, provided that the student remains in good standing. Any remaining funds may be used to purchase course materials.
- The number of scholarships to be awarded and the amount of the awards have not yet been determined. This information will be shared with students by the School Counselor or a member of the Foundation Board.
- Scholarships will be disbursed in two equal installments in the fall and spring semesters. The funds will be disbursed directly to the college, university, community college, technical school or education course that the student attends.
- Disbursement of scholarship payments for the spring semester will require proof of satisfactory academic progress, which will be defined as earning a GPA of 2.5 or better with a minimum of nine (9) semester hours. An official transcript must be sent to the Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation following the close of the fall and spring semesters. Scholarship payments for the spring semester will not be disbursed if an official transcript is not received.
- Any unused portion of the scholarship will remain with the Kendrick Juliaetta & 7 Ridges Education Foundation.

Combined Scholarship Application - Personal Information

Full Legal Name (First, Last, MI): _____ Preferred Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth : _____

Email Address: _____

Number of years in attendance at KHS? 5 / 4 / 3 / 2 / 1 / .5

To which colleges, universities, community colleges, technical school, or continued education courses have you applied?

First Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

Other: _____

Have not yet applied.

Colleges, universities, community colleges, technical school, or continued education courses you have been accepted to:

Student ID # & Email address for colleges, universities, community colleges, technical school, or continued education courses you have been accepted to. (if known): ID #: _____ Email: _____

Please write an essay of no more than 500 words, in which you discuss the following:

- Your education goals: what field of study do you intend to pursue, and why?
- Your career goals: how do you think you will use your degree or certification to enhance your employment prospects?
- To what extent have you been involved in community activities, through local youth organizations and volunteer opportunities?
- What have you learned, and how has your community involvement affected your perspective?
- What other activities fill your free time (family, hobbies, after-school or summer employment), and what are they important to you?
- What are your strongest personal characteristics and special talents? Describe what sets you apart as an individual.
- Please share some of your most meaningful challenges and successes – your proudest moment, or your greatest personal challenge.

We would like to hear about who you are, what you value, and where you are going. We want to understand your inspirations, challenges, hopes and dreams.

Please attach your essay to your completed application.

Letters of Recommendation

Please attach two (2) signed letters of recommendation:

- One should be on school letterhead from an employed member of the school district who is familiar with your work and your qualifications for this scholarship. Please do not submit a form letter.
- One should be from a community member or other individual who knows you well, but is not related to you. This letter should provide insights on your life and activities outside of school.

Applicant's Statement

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this application is factual and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List activities in which you participated during the last four years. (School clubs, student government, publications, varsity or club sports, theater arts, Scouting, 4-H, etc.) Please define any acronyms.

Activity	Dates	Office Position Held	Awards

If you listed a leadership role in one or more of the activities or organizations cited above, please choose one, detail your responsibilities, and explain the significance of your contribution to the organization.

List jobs (including summer employment) you have held in the last four years.

Employer or type of business	Dates	Type of work	HRS/WEEK

Of all your courses, activities, internships and work experience, which one did you find most rewarding or personally satisfying? Explain why.

FAMILY INFORMATION

How has a family member or family experience been influential in your life?
