*Order of the Eastern Star*

***RUST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM***

South Kitsap High School

2022-2023

The Eastern Star and Masonic Family – Rust Scholarship Program is a $500.00 to $1000.00 that may be used at post-secondary institution by a graduating South Kitsap Student. These institutions include, but are not limited to: 2 year college, 4 year college, Trade School, Technical College, or any accredited post- secondary educational institution or training. The program is designed to fit those students with a financial need, who may or may not be attending a traditional college, not who may or may not qualify for other scholarships because of their GPA. The requirements for the scholarship are:

1. Be a graduating South Kitsap School District Senior (SKHS, Discovery or Explorer).
2. Demonstrate a financial need, within the application.
3. Provide 3 letters of recommendation, must be original (not a photo copy). Letters must be on letterhead or the writer identified with name, address and telephone number, be dated and addressed to: The Rust Scholarship Committee. Letters addresses to: Whom it may concern,” will not be accepted.
4. Demonstrate acceptance into a post-secondary educational institution before scholarship funds are issued. All monies will be mailed directly to the institution in the students name for tuition and books only.
5. Complete entire application including this signature page and references. Submit (post marked – or hand delivered) by *March 27th* to:

**Eastern Star – Rust Scholarship Committee Chair**

**1025 Sidney Ave**

**Port Orchard, WA 98366**

1. Be prepared for a personal interview by the Scholarship Committee. The time and date to be provided by separate notification.

The decisions of the Eastern Star Rust Scholarship Committee are final. The Committee reserves the, to disqualify any student any student who fails to submit any of the required documents, demonstrate financial need, falsify information or submit to personal interview. Any student selected, who decides not to attend a post-secondary educational institution, must return all funds awarded.

Awards will be announced on April 26th, 2023 @ 6:00PM, the scholarship winner must provide accepting educational institution fund transfer information to the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter Secretary, before any funds are sent to the institution. By signing below, I agree to abide by these rules.

 Applicant’s Signature

**Scholarship Application**

This Applications is free form, but the required information listed below must be provided. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All applications are confidential and will be destroyed after selection.

1. Full Name of Applicant.
2. Mailing address.
3. Phone number.
4. Name of parent(s) or Guardian(s) and phone number(s).
5. List all school organizations to which you have belonged or activities in which you have actively participated, except for sports, since you have been in High School, Discovery, Alternative High School or Explorer Academy. The name of the Organization or Activity, number of years and office held.
6. List all sports programs you have actively participated in since you have been in High School, Discovery, Alternative High School or Explorer Academy.
7. Name of sport and number of years.
8. List all Community and or Church-Synagogue-Mosque-Temple, leadership activities in which you have actively participated.
9. List all honors or awards, which you have received while in High School, Discovery, Alternative High School or Explorer Academy
10. What is your cumulative GPA?
11. Are you a running start student?
12. List classes in which you are enrolled in this year.
13. Please explain the subject area you plan to study after you graduate. (in 100 words or less.)
14. Please explain how your chosen field of study will benefit you and the community (In 100 words or less.)
15. Please explain your financial need requirements (in 100 words or less)
16. List family gross annual income from all sources. Specify what other student financial aid and or scholarships you anticipate receiving. SKHS counselors may be asked to verify financial need.