

# Visalia Education Foundation Scholarships 2020

All scholarships awarded through the Visalia Education Foundation are for Visalia Unified School District Senior Students only and require the following:

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□Completed Application	☐ Essay (mus	t only be one page long, one-sided)
☐ One or two Letters of Recommendation		☐ High School Transcript

# **Scholarships:**

#### 1. Annie Mitchell Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$2,000

Financial needs will not be a determining factor. This student must have a 3.5 or better grade point average and be continuing their studies in the area of education or history. Student receiving scholarship must be enrolled in college full time.

#### 2. Chan Asian-American Scholarship: 1@\$500

For a student of Asian/American descent, strong academics and contributions to school and/or community. Student must have a 3.0 grade point average or better.

#### 3. <u>Evelyn M. Alexander Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$7,500</u>

This scholarship is for a Redwood High School student based on financial need. Recipient must have been accepted to a four-year college or university and must have achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Extra-curricular activities will be reviewed.

#### 4. Frances Cutler Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$2,000

Financial need will not be a determining factor. This student must have a 3.5 or better grade point average. Student receiving scholarship must be enrolled in college full time.

#### 5. Marguerite R. Sheklian Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$500

This scholarship is in honor of former Visalia Unified teacher and assistant principal Marguerite Sheklian. The scholarship is for a student with at least a 3.5 GPA who is pursuing a career in education and has been active in school, faith and community activities.

#### 6. Visalia Education Foundation Alternative Education Scholarship: 2 @ \$500

This scholarship is for an accomplished student enrolled in a Visalia Unified School District Alternative Education program and who has been active in community service. Grade point average must be at least a 3.2.

#### 7. <u>Visalia Education Foundation Community Scholarship: 5 @ \$250</u>

One scholarship will be awarded to each high school for an outstanding and deserving student. Student must have a 3.0 grade point average or better.

#### 8. Visalia Education Foundation Scholarship: 8 @ \$1000

For students who have been involved in performing or visual arts most of their high school years. Your letter of recommendation should come from a teacher in the arts. Grade point average must be at least a 3.5. Two scholarships will be awarded to each of the four high schools.

#### 9. Visalia Women's Civic Club: 2 @ \$500

This student must have a 3.0 or better GPA. Students pursuing certificates of completion in a program, i.e. fire, police, medical. EMT from an accredited school will be considered.

#### 10. <u>Jean (Sortor) Winkler Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000</u>

This scholarship is in honor of former Visalia Unified teacher Jean (Sortor) Winkler. The scholarship is intended for a student with at least a 3.5 GPA who has been actively participating in VUSD music programs and whose goal is to become a teacher.

# 11 Nick Winkler Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000

This scholarship is in honor of former Visalia Unified teacher Nick Winkler. The scholarship is intended for a student with at least a 3.5 GPA who has taken advanced science and math classes and whose goal is to become a teacher.

#### 12. \* Cal Rossi Memorial Scholarship: 2 @ \$2,000

This scholarship is for a Mt. Whitney student with a 3.0 GPA. Student must show activity in interscholastic athletics and be enrolled in an U.S. college full-time. Application/Essay must contain personal background, financial need, work experience/community service and anticipated goals of college study.

# 13. \* Hurley PTA Scholarship: 2 @ \$500

For a graduating senior who attended Hurley Elementary for at least 4 full years. Must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and be enrolled in an accredited 2 or 4 year college for the upcoming Fall semester. Application/essay should incorporate Hurley Elementary background, PTA involvement, extra-curricular/community involvement and goals in college. Financial need is not a factor.

# 14. \* Josh Perkins Foundation Scholarship: 16 @ \$500

This scholarship is for a Visalia Unified student who has participated in their school's respective golf program (two years on the team preferred). Student must have a 3.0 or better GPA and be continuing their education. Extra-curricular activities and community service will be considered. Financial needs will not be a determining factor.

#### 15. \*Julie Reed Memorial Scholarship: 2 @ \$250

This Memorial Scholarship is in honor of past Willow Glen PTA President, Julie Reed. The scholarship is geared toward a student who attended Willow Glen between grades 4 to 6. The student must have a 3.0 GPA or better, involved in various community service programs and active in student body activities.

# 16. \*Kenneth Oliphant Tennis Scholarship: 1 @ \$250

For a student who has played 2 or more years of Varsity tennis at Mt. Whitney HS. The student must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and be enrolled in a 2 or 4-year college in Fall 2020. The applicant essay must include how playing tennis impacted his/her life and how it will play a role in the future

#### 17. \*Laudine Oliphant Visual Arts Scholarship: 1 @ \$250

For a Mt. Whitney student who has taken visual arts (painting) at least two years and has a 3.0 GPA or better. Student must be enrolled in a 2 or 4-year college for Fall 2020 and plan to continue study in visual arts. The applicant essay must include how painting has impacted his/her life and how it will play a role in the future.

#### 18. \*Line Family Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000

One scholarship will be awarded to an accomplished, deserving Mt. Whitney student. Not limited to a student with financial need. The Line Family will review these applications. Student must have a 3.5 grade point average or better.

#### 19. \*Oak Grove PTA Scholarship: 4 @ \$500

For a graduating senior who attended Oak Grove Elementary for at least 4 full years. Must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and be enrolled in an accredited 2 or 4 year college for the upcoming Fall semester. Application/essay should incorporate extracurricular/community involvement and goals in college. Financial need is not a factor.

#### 20. \*PEO Chapter HF Scholarship: 1 @ \$1600

PEO is an international philanthropic education organization for women. The local chapter HF is offering this scholarship. The recipient must be a female graduate of a Visalia high school with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA. The scholarship is not based on financial need. Chapter members will review these applications.

#### 21. \*Rhoda A. Barker Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$200

For an accomplished student who has been active in community service who has a 3.5 or better GPA. The student must be attending college full time in the fall of 2020.

# 22. \*Susan Mathews Theater Arts Scholarship: 1 @ \$600

This scholarship is for a student who has participated in the theater arts program at Redwood High School for four years. Please include other experiences and volunteer work in other theater programs as well. Student must have a 3.0 GPA or better.

# 23. \*Fallen Memorial Fund Scholarship – Marine Cpl Jared C Verbeek: 1 @ \$1000

For a Mt. Whitney student who is related to a military service member going back as far as three generations (parent, grandparent and great-grandparent). Requires minimum3.0 GPA, proof of 5 hours of Veteran Volunteer work, copy of family member's DD214 and an explanation of what <u>patriotism</u> means to you. Essay is reviewed by committee so please do not use names of family members in essay.

- 24. \*Fallen Memorial Fund Scholarship Petty Officer First Class (SEAL) Thomas Retzer: 1 @ \$1000
  - For a Mt. Whitney student who is related to a military service member going back as far as three generations (parent, grandparent and great-grandparent). Requires minimum3.0 GPA, proof of 5 hours of Veteran Volunteer work, copy of family member's DD214 and an explanation of what <u>patriotism</u> means to you. Essay is reviewed by committee so please do not use names of family members in essay.
- 25. \*Fallen Memorial Fund Scholarship Army Sgt. Tyler Vaughan: 1 @ \$1000
  - For an El Diamante student who is related to a military service member going back as far as three generations (parent, grandparent and great-grandparent). Requires minimum3.0 GPA, proof of 5 hours of Veteran Volunteer work, copy of family member's DD214 and an explanation of what <u>patriotism</u> means to you. Essay is reviewed by committee so please do not use names of family members in essay.
- 26. \*Fallen Memorial Fund Scholarship Army PFC Keith M. Williams: 1 @ \$1000
  - For an El Diamante student who is related to a military service member going back as far as three generations (parent, grandparent and great-grandparent). Requires minimum3.0 GPA, proof of 5 hours of Veteran Volunteer work, copy of family member's DD214 and an explanation of what <u>patriotism</u> means to you. Essay is reviewed by committee so please do not use names of family members in essay.

The Foundation Scholarship Committee will review all applications. Scholarships marked with an \* may be reviewed by the donating family/chapter.

Application must be received by Friday, March 6, 2020 - 5 PM
Return completed application to:
Visalia Education Foundation
c/o Visalia Unified School District
5000 W. Cypress Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277.

Please call Laura Pace at (559) 972-6976 or email scholarships@visaliaedfoundation.org with any questions. Forms and information can be found on our website at:

http://www.visaliaedfoundation.org

A school representative or a representative of the Foundation will present all scholarships to the 2020 graduates. In the case of Memorial Scholarships, family members may desire to make the presentation. The Visalia Education Foundation will notify the schools of the arrangements on individual scholarships.