Kendall Teacher Scholars Scholarship Fund

Through the generosity of the Roy and Beulah Kendall estate, an endowment was established to create and sustain the Western Michigan University Kendall Teacher Scholars Scholarship. This scholarship, administered through WMUx with oversight by a steering committee composed of university and community representatives, will provide tuition reimbursement to eligible Battle Creek area teachers who meet scholarship criteria.

This scholarship applies to current teaching professionals for courses offered at the Battle Creek Aviation Education Center or fully online. Classes are now located in the College of Aviation Education Center at 237 North Helmer Road, Battle Creek MI 49037.

General Criteria

- This scholarship is available to applicants actively teaching full time in any of the Calhoun County public or private schools serviced by the Calhoun Intermediate School District. Applicants must be admitted to, or actively pursuing, a graduate degree in K-12 education, and/or taking coursework approved by an (education) adviser, and appropriate to a degree directly related to K-12 teaching, counseling or administration. Scholarships are also available for applicants’ completing coursework as part of professional development or enrichment programs, appropriate to K-12 education.
- Applicants must have current State of Michigan Teacher Certification.
- Awards are for tuition, and course fees. Books will only be reimbursed once receipts are provided.
- **Since the scholarship is granted at the start of the semester, if awarded, the student must pass the course. If they drop the course or do not receive a 3.0, then the scholarship would be rescinded, and the student will be responsible for their student balance.**
- Applicants must have a minimum undergraduate GPA average of 3.20, if there is no history of graduate work, to qualify for this scholarship and only coursework receiving a 3.00 GPA or higher will be eligible for the scholarship.
- Applicants who have completed some graduate work must have a cumulative 3.50 GPA. Once approved, recipients must maintain a cumulative 3.50 GPA for renewal.
- Credit/No credit courses are not eligible for reimbursement.
- Up to six hours will be reimbursed for any given semester; with a possible limit on amount of credits per year (i.e., nine credit hours a year or a dollar amount)
- **There is a maximum amount of funds awarded annually per the endowment. Awards may be limited to a specific number of yearly credits per student per year, an annual max dollar amount per student, and/or to the number of scholarships awarded to eligible candidates.**
- Applications for tuition reimbursement for professional development coursework must be submitted by the official drop/add date established for this course.
- Formal applications for scholarships awarded for each academic semester must be received to WMUx office in Battle Creek or emailed by application deadline.
- Awards will be announced approximately two (2) weeks prior to the official start of the semester.
Spring 2023
WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
KENDALL TEACHERS SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Requesting reimbursement for:
(Please check one):

☐ Graduate degree program – initial scholarship application
☐ Graduate degree program – scholarship renewal
☐ Professional development/enrichment coursework

Name: ___________________________________________ WIN #: __________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________________________

Phone-home/cell: ________________________________ ______

E-mail address: _________________________________________________________________

School District Employed: ___________________________________________________________

Building & Position: ___________________________________________________________________

Requesting reimbursement for: Spring 2023

WMU course(s) and CRN to be reimbursed: ______________________________________________

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Please include your essay with your Scholarship application; failure to do so will result in award ineligibility.

☐ Complete a type-written essay of no more than 500 words in APA format.
   https://wmich.edu/leadership/apa-style-resources

☐ Scored according to Composition (grammar/punctuation/formatting), Expression of ideas
  (Well thought out from Intro-Conclusion), Related to Essay Topic, Previous Academic
  Performance.

The following additional items must be submitted as part of your initial Scholarship application. Once on file, it
is not necessary to resubmit:

☐ Copy of State of Michigan Teaching Certificate (do not send original)
  (Needed with initial application only)

☐ Letter of recommendation from school district administrator.
  (Needed with initial application only)

☐ Official transcript for previous undergraduate or graduate work if not completed at WMU
Essay Topic:
It’s pretty much accepted that technology is a part of education, but how much technology should be used in the classroom? For example, should students use tablets in class? Should they complete homework and/or coursework online? This topic also lends itself to a pros and cons essay because you can examine both the positive and negative effects of using technology in the classroom. This application will be scored on the timeliness, quality and completeness of the materials submitted, as well as availability of funds. Application form and attachments must be received by the deadline date of Thursday, December 1, at 5:00pm. EMAIL to Tamara.morgan@wmich.edu

Spring 2023
The Kendall Scholarship Committee is aware that certain school districts give partial, or full, reimbursement for university classes. The Kendall Teacher Scholars Scholarship will award only that portion of tuition not available through your school district.
Thank you.

I attest that I am not eligible for, or receiving, full or partial reimbursement from any other source for this coursework, except as may be noted below. No other reimbursement is available through my school district, financial aid office or other supportive organization.

I also declare that all the information on this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submission of false information will result in ineligibility. If determined ineligible, I agree to return any funds previously received.

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Signature       Date

I am receiving partial reimbursement for coursework, and request reimbursement for the balance of tuition for coursework taken through the Kendall Teacher Scholars Scholarship Fund.

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