

THE JIM AND PEGGY CURTIS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A SCHOLARSHIP FUND OF THE DENVER FOUNDATION

2012 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

ELIGIBILITY:

Students who will be graduating from Moffat Senior High School or Mountain Valley Senior High School in the spring of 2012 and are planning to attend a trade school, technical school, community college, or a four-year accredited college in the United States are eligible to apply. Students who graduated from either high school in the spring of 2011 or 2010 are also eligible and encouraged to apply.

Please note that applicants who are related to a member of the scholarship selection committee or a Denver Foundation employee or board member are not eligible to apply.

APPLICATION:

For an application to be considered complete you must include the following:

- Completed two page application form
- Answers to all of the short essay questions on a separate sheet of paper
- Transcript(s) of all completed high school and college coursework
- Letter of Reference
- Optional - Resume

Submit all items in one packet. Do not use staples or binders other than paper clips.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Recipients will be selected based upon their motivation, goals, and potential for success in their chosen program. Applications will be reviewed by an independent committee. The Curtis family has established this fund to support local students, but they will not select the scholarship recipients.

AWARDS:

One or more scholarship awards of \$1,000 - \$5,000 each will be awarded through a competitive process. Applicants may use this scholarship to attend a trade school, a technical school, a community college, or a 4-year college. Awards can be used toward tuition and fees for full-time (minimum 12 credit hours) or part-time study. Scholarship money must be used within 2 years of the date that the student is notified that they have won an award. Awards will be paid directly to a recipient's school. An individual can receive a scholarship award from this fund for a maximum of three years.

DEADLINE:

Applications must be postmarked and mailed by **March 16, 2012** to be considered by the Selection Committee.

NOTIFICATION:

A letter regarding the selection committee's decisions will be mailed to all applicants on or before **April 27, 2012**.

Mail application to: The Jim and Peggy Curtis Scholarship Fund, c/o The Denver Foundation, 55 Madison Street, 8th Floor, Denver, CO 80206-5423.

Questions?

If you have questions, contact Lisa Fasolo Frishman at 303.996.7328 or lfasolo@denverfoundation.org.

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Applicant Information *Please print clearly or type your answers.*

Title: Ms. Miss Mr. Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip Code

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Graduation Date (month/date): _____

Current cumulative high school/college unweighted G.P.A. _____

College, University or School Information

Please fill out the information below about your post secondary education plans.

	Name of College/University or Trade School	City, State	Have you been accepted?	What is the total Cost of Attendance?*
First Choice				
Second Choice				
Third Choice				

**This information is available on the school's website or through the Financial Aid Office.*

Expected Degree (i.e. Bachelor of Arts): _____

Expected Major/Program Focus: _____

When do you plan to start classes (month/year): _____

Will you attend part-time or full-time? _____ Length of program: _____

Financial Resources

List any grants or scholarships that you have been awarded or may receive for the upcoming academic year. Receiving other financial aid does not disqualify you from receiving a scholarship from this fund.

Name of Grant/Scholarship	Amount	Is it renewable?	Pending or Confirmed?

SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS

On a separate piece of paper respond to each of the following questions. Your responses to the following questions should total at least one page but should not exceed three pages. You are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to create and proofread a well-written response to each question. Please include your name and page numbers.

1. Tell us about your interests and ideas for the future. What would you like to study? What do you want to learn? Why? What is important to you? Is there a specific degree or certification that you would like to earn? How would you use what you learn in the future?
2. What do you consider to be your three most important accomplishments (personal and/or academic) during the past year and why?
3. Who in your life has been your biggest influence and why? How has this person influenced your future goals?
4. If you were to receive a scholarship from this program, it is unlikely that it will cover the full cost of attending school. How would you meet the expenses that would not be covered by this scholarship?
5. Is there anything else you would like the selection committee to know as it considers your application?

HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT

Please include a copy of your most recent high school transcript. An unofficial copy is acceptable. If applicable, please submit an unofficial transcript of all college level work that you have completed. Applicants who are selected to receive a scholarship may be required to submit official transcripts for verification.

LETTER OF REFERENCE

Please include one letter of reference with your application. The letter of reference should be from someone knows you well like a teacher, coach, student club/volunteer advisor, or employer. The letter of reference cannot be written by a relative. The letter of reference should be on professional letterhead and should speak to your character and motivation, as well as your desire to further your education.

APPLICATION SIGNATURES (BOTH SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED):

I certify that this application and all of the supporting documents (excluding recommendation letters and transcripts) were prepared by me, and all of the information included is accurate and complete. I understand that if I am selected for an award, I may be asked to provide proof of the information stated on this form. I understand that if this information is not provided, or if the information is different than presented in this application, that the award may be rescinded. If I am selected to receive an award, I agree that my name, photo, award amount, and any information provided about future plans may be used in announcements or articles (ex. graduation, newspaper) issued by The Denver Foundation or my school. I understand that all recipients will be required to submit a final report and transcript after the 2012-2013 academic year is completed. I agree to submit these items by the specified deadline. In addition, by signing this form, I hereby authorize the post-secondary school that I will be attending to release information about my financial aid package to The Denver Foundation.

Student: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Name (please print): _____ Phone Number: _____