

Jerald and Mary Fox Scholarship

Amount:

A \$250 scholarship will be awarded in honor of Jerald and Mary Fox. Jerald and Mary moved their family to the area so that their children were able to attend St. Mary Elementary and High School. The scholarship will be awarded for the first time in 2018, in honor of Jerald and Mary's 50th wedding anniversary.

Funded by:

The Jerald and Mary Fox Family
Jeffery ('88), Monica ('89), Kristi ('92), and Jason ('96)

Purpose and Intent:

This scholarship is to recognize the commitment and dedication of Jerald and Mary Fox for their work and commitment to St. Mary's Church and School and the Dell Rapids community. They have been very active with the community, Legion and Legion Auxiliary, Jerald was Legionnaire of the year for South Dakota in 2015. He is also in the VFW and firing squad. He was also part of the Optimist. They have been very active with the boy and girl scouts along with Jason earning his Eagle and Jeff earning his Silver Palm. They have helped with the food pantry for many years, volunteered at Padre's and the senior citizen building. Every summer Jerry is active with the Trent river camp and they both help out with Feeding God's Children. They were part of Marriage in Encounter, Foresters, both being forester of the year. In 1998, Jerald was runner up National Fraternal of the year for Catholic Order of Foresters. They both have worked the foresters' lunch Wagon. They have worked many parish work days. Mary has been part of Christian Women, and St. Pius Church group. They have been chairmen for the church Bazaar and School Carnival. They have been active with the church by being an Eucharist Ministry and selling script after mass. They have worked the concession stand for many basketball games and Jerald worked the chains for football for many years.

The intent of this scholarship is to provide an annual scholarship for a graduating senior to support a student who will be furthering their education and has a deep commitment to their community as Jerald and Mary have demonstrated since their move to Dell Rapids.

Eligibility Criteria:

- A cumulative GPA that will allow enrollment in college, or community college or Vo-Tech
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited university, community college or Vo-Tech
- Be active in his/her community and church

Application Process:

Completion of the attached application packet

- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, church member and or community personnel.
- Completion of a one-page essay addressing the following questions: ○ What are your future goals involving the church and volunteering in your community as part of your life?
 - What role do you feel church and community play in forming your goals for the Future?OR
 - Tell us about what is important to you in your life. Why? How did you come to recognize this? Finally, how do you see this influencing your future?

Award Process:

- Applications to be reviewed by the Fox family from which the recipient will be chosen.
- To be recognized in the Senior Recognition and presented by the Fox family member.

Please submit all required materials, no later than March 15th 2026 to:

ATTN: Fox Scholarship
Jerald Fox
403 E 6th Street
Dell Rapids S.D. 57022

Electronic Application form available upon request, Contact krifox@gmail.com
Please type or print clearly

1. Application

Name:

Extracurricular Activities:

Honors and Awards:

Volunteer and Community Involvement:

Church Involvement:

2. Essay

- Completion of a one-page essay addressing one of the following questions: ○
What are your future goals involving the church and volunteering in your community as part of your life?
 - What role do you feel church and community play in forming your goals for the future?
- OR
- Tell us about what is important to you in your life. Why? How did you come to recognize this? Finally, how do you see this influencing your future?

3. Letter of Recommendation

Letter of recommendation from a teacher, church member and/or community personnel.

4. To be completed by School Counselor/Staff member:

Student's Name: _____
Confirmation that Student has enough credits to Graduate in May _____

Signature of Counselor/Staff member _____ Date: _____

Student's Signature _____ Date: _____

5. Submission

Please submit all required materials by mail, no later than March 15th, 2026 to:

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The scholarship is payable to the institution chosen by the recipient upon verification of enrollment.

This application is not valid without a letter of recommendation, signature from the counselor, and essay.