

Kidwiler-Dolan Memorial Scholarship

LACEY SOUTH SOUND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

To: Administrators and Counselors of:

Timberline High School
North Thurston High School
River Ridge High School
Envision Career Academy
Summit Virtual Academy

From: Scholarship Committee

Lacey/South Sound Chamber of Commerce
Michael Harris, Chair
3925 8th Ave S, Suite C
Lacey WA 98503

Date: December 5 2025

Re: 2024-2025 Award of Kidwiler-Dolan Memorial Scholarship

The aforementioned scholarship is administered by the Lacey South Sound Chamber of Commerce for students planning to enter the private or free enterprise system (meaning, one in which private business owners operate competitively with minimal government interference) upon completing their post-secondary studies. (This is not a scholastic scholarship.)

The scholarship is named in honor of Ray Kidwiler and Gene Dolan. Ray Kidwiler was a founding member of the Lacey Chamber of Commerce and served two (2) years as President in 1963 and 1964. Ray was a great believer in education for young people and felt that any student deserving further education upon graduating from high school should be able to obtain it. After his death, Mrs. Ray Kidwiler established, through the Lacey Chamber of Commerce, the Ray Kidwiler Scholarship fund in 1972 in memory of her husband. The name was changed to honor Gene Dolan, also a founding member, who was Chair of the committee from its inception until he stepped down for health reasons in 2010. Last year, \$12,000 in scholarships and grants were awarded to four graduates of a high school within the North Thurston Public Schools. The scholarships are available for use by the recipients for formal study at an accredited college, university, technical, or vocation school during the 2025-2026 school year.

To be considered for the award, each applicant must:

1. Be a member of the 2025 graduating class of his or her high school.
2. Submit a high school official transcript, which must include grades from the first semester of the senior year.
3. Submit a one page essay, type written, double spaced. The essay will delineate applicants educational and career goals and how these goals relate to the private or free enterprise system. The essay will also give the applicant's view of why it is important to preserve the private enterprise system as part of our nation's economic structure.
4. Complete the attached application form which highlights
 - Post-high school education plan
 - What you have done or are doing to prepare for this financial commitment

Completed application documents are to be submitted on or before April 7, 2025 to the counselor of your respective high school. The application documents must be in the office of the scholarship committee representative, Michael Harris at the Chamber office, 3925 8th Ave. S., Suite C, Lacey, WA 98503 on or before April 10, 2025

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 1. Submit a one-page essay, type written, double-spaced on the following: your educational and career goals and how these goals relate to the private or free enterprise system and your view of why it is important to preserve the private or free enterprise system as part of our nation's economic system.
- Submit this completed application to your school counselor on or before April 7, 2025.

Name: _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Do you live with your parent(s): _____ If not, please list name, address and relationship of Guardian, if any: _____

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What is your intended program of study in post- secondary education?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality and Tourism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture and Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts, A/V Technology and Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business, Management and Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education and Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing, Sales and Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government and Public Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation, Distribution and Logistics |

Do you plan to complete a degree program? _____

What is your choice of post-secondary institution? _____

What is the status of your application? _____

What are the expected first year costs for tuition? _____ Room & Board? _____

What is your choice of vocation? _____

G.P.A. _____ Class Rank _____

List below the activities in which you have participated during your high school career (Include both in school and out of school activities). Use additional pages, as necessary.

List any awards you have earned in or out of high school. Use additional pages, as necessary.

One of the primary purposes of this scholarship is to permit deserving students to go to a post-secondary institution when, without assistance, this might not be possible. Please present here any facts of financial nature that would be pertinent to the final selection. Include funds now available and the extent to which you expect to receive help from other sources. What scholarship have you received to date? Continue on another page if necessary.

What plans, if any, have you made for helping yourself in the future financially? Use additional pages, as necessary.

If you have been employed, give your place of employment:

Kind of work: _____

Duration of Employment: _____

Total amount earned: _____

How earnings were spent: _____

Occupation of Father: _____

Occupation of Mother: _____

Combined income of parents: _____

Number of Brother and Sisters: _____ Ages: _____