



The Amanda Ireland Ward Memorial Scholarship Fund

Award Cycle: Spring 2025

The Amanda Ireland Ward Scholarship was established to honor the memory of an amazing woman who exemplified leadership, service, and laughter. Mandy was a child and family advocate and trainer with the Kellin Foundation who touched thousands of people over the years. In her honor, the Kellin Foundation is proud to establish this scholarship fund.

Eligibility

1. The scholarship is open to Guilford County graduating seniors who exude a spirit of service to others, a value in caring for and connecting with all people, and leadership inside and outside the classroom as illustrated through a written essay, demonstrated academic achievements, and mentor, teacher, and/or coach recommendations.
2. An initial one-time scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded in the spring of 2025 to be applied to the 2025-2026 academic year.
3. While it is considered during the selection process, economic need is not a prerequisite to apply for the scholarship.
4. All eligible applicants will be considered, **with applicants from first responder families and girls leadership academies (both groups that Mandy was closely connected with) particularly encouraged to apply.**

Application Selection Criteria

The Amanda Ireland Ward Scholarship will provide college scholarships for students attending a college in the state of North Carolina under the criteria and guidelines set forth below.

1. Must have graduated from high school and maintained a minimum GPA of 3.0 as documented on a school-provided official transcript;
2. Must attend a four-year college located in North Carolina;
3. Must be seeking an accredited four-year degree;
4. Economic need is not a prerequisite to apply for the scholarship; although it will be considered
5. Participation in extra-curricular activities or evidence of volunteer work;
6. The applicant must include a brief written statement, with a minimum of 100 words. Please see the Written Statement Submission Form for details.
7. The application must include two recommendations, at least one of the two recommendations must come from a teacher. Please see the Recommendation Form for details.
8. The scholarship is for full-time study;
9. The scholarship must be used for tuition, on campus housing, or book fees;
10. The recipient must be a current resident of Guilford County.

Applicants may be contacted by a selection committee member should the committee need clarification or request additional information to aid in the decision-making process.



Applicant Checklist for the Amanda Ireland Ward Memorial Scholarship Application

Please use this checklist to ensure that all of your application materials are provided by the date listed below.

☐ **Due Date: March 1, 2025** (full application and all materials must be postmarked by this date, no exceptions)

Mail to: **Kellin Foundation**
 ATTN: Amanda Ireland Ward Scholarship
 4010 Walker Avenue
 Greensboro, NC 27403

Materials to include:

Required Materials:

1. Your completed Scholarship Application
2. Your written statement (~100 words)
3. Your high school transcript
4. Two recommendations: At least one recommendation must be from a current teacher. All letters must have Original Signatures. Applicants can submit more than two recommendations if they chose, but they must submit at least two recommendations.

Optional / If Applicable Materials:

5. A Paper Copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA)
 - a. FAFSA is available electronically at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>
6. Documentation of SAT/ACT scores if shared in the Academic Success Section

Thank you for your interest in the Amanda Ireland Ward Memorial Scholarship!



The Amanda Ireland Ward Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Kellin Foundation

1. Applicant Details

Applicant Name

Last

First

Middle

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

County

Cell Phone

Home Phone

Email Address

Are you the child of a first responder? ☐ Yes

☐ No

2. Your Parent(s)/Guardian(s') (list at least one adult – add pages if you would like additional parents/guardians listed)

Last

First

Middle

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Cell Phone

Home Phone

Email Address

3. Your College Details

College You Hope to Attend _____

Intended Major/Primary Course of Study _____

4. Your Academic Success

Please share examples of your academic success in addition to school grades such as: Honor Society, Magna/Suma Cum Laude, class ranking, and exceptional SAT/ACT scores. Provide documentation of SAT/ACT scores if shared.

[illegible]

5. Your Extra-Curricular and Volunteer Activities

Please share more about your participation in extra-curricular activities such as sports, drama, debate, service work, volunteer work, Model UN, honor board, chess club, mock trials, etc.

[illegible]

Your Written Statement Submission Form

Please include below your brief written statement with a minimum word count (100) words in response to the following topic.

Essay Topic:

Tell us about a contribution that you have made to your community and how you hope to make a difference in college and beyond.

Please Attach Your Statement Separately and Provide Your Signature at the Bottom of the Page.

Signature _____