

John R. Kernodle, Jr. Memorial Teaching Scholarship 2025

The John R. Kernodle, Jr. Memorial Scholarship was established in 1996 by a group of Guilford County citizens to honor the memory of John R. Kernodle, Jr. The purpose of the fund is to provide **scholarships for future teachers** to fund their undergraduate studies. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need and merit to graduating seniors of the Guilford County Schools System who are legal residents of North Carolina. Special consideration will be given to students attending North Carolina colleges and universities. Each year, the award will cover (up to a maximum of \$10,000) tuition and fees, on-campus room and meals, and books and supplies. This scholarship is renewable contingent on the recipient maintaining a 3.0 cumulative GPA each year of college. Following graduation, Kernodle Scholars will be required to serve for a minimum of three years following graduation as a full-time teacher in grades K-12 in North Carolina public schools, with a strong preference for service in Guilford County.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the scholarship:

- A commitment to the field of public education
- Breadth of interests
- Potential for success at the college level
- A commitment to community service
- Concern for others
- Extracurricular involvement
- Financial need will be considered, but is not a mandatory factor

Kernodle Scholars must:

1. Be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student and pursue studies leading to licensure at graduation to teach in North Carolina public schools.
2. Maintain a 3.0 GPA throughout college. If a recipient fails to do so, he/she will be required to repay all funds paid to date that were received from the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Scholarship Fund.
3. Achieve a degree for employment as a teacher in grades K-12 or the recipient will be required to repay all funds received from the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Scholarship Fund.
4. Meet the three-year teaching commitment, or the recipient will be required to repay all funds received from the John R. Kernodle, Jr. Scholarship Fund.

Click [here](#) to access our online application portal.
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