**S-E-M ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP**

**REQUIREMENTS**

**DESCRIPTION**

The Sumner Alumni Association has established a scholarship fund with the Custer County Foundation that will provide a one-time scholarship(s). The dollar amount will vary from year to year. The scholarship will be awarded to a S-E-M graduating senior.

Applicants must be enrolled at any university, state college, community college or technical school within the State of Nebraska.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Consideration for the scholarship will be given to any student who will be graduating from S-E-M High School and shows qualities of good character and leadership, academic achievement, financial need and participation in extra-curricular and community activities.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Each applicant should submit a completed application no later than **April 14th** of each year. The application packet should include:

1. **Cover page** with a recent photograph attached;
2. The completed **application page,** signed by the applicant;
3. **Personal Statement** including: College major and your career objectives statement (250 words or less);
4. **Financial Statement**: Statement of financial need;
5. Two letters of recommendation completed by a teacher/and or coach whose class the applicant has completed or in which he/she currently enrolled or a sport the applicant participated in.
6. A third letter of recommendation completed by an adult designated by the applicant outside the school other than a relative (employer, pastor etc.);
7. A Scholarship Resume listing memberships, activities, awards, and work experiences;
8. A copy of your most recent transcript.

The application should be to the S-E-M High School counselor’s office. Members of the Scholarship Committee will judge the applications and select the winner(s). **Incomplete applications or LATE applications will NOT be considered.**

**PAYMENT**

Payment of this scholarship will be made directly to the college or university after successful completion of the first semester of the term for which the scholarship was awarded with a grade point average of 2.0 or better based on a 4.0 grading system.

Recipient must send 1st semester college grade transcript along with 2nd semester class schedule to:

Sumner Alumni Association

307 S. Sycamore Street

Amherst, NE 68812

Attention: Margene Bauer

**All proof of 1st semester grades and registration for 2nd semester classes have to be submitted to the Sumner Alumni Treasurer no later than February 15th in order for the money to be sent to the designated college in a proper time frame.**