FAST FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP

The mission of the Fast Forward Scholarship Fund is to enable local students to pursue career opportunities which require post-high school training to enter the workforce shortly after completion of their program.

Criteria:

• Available for graduating high school seniors from Bridges, Glenwood Springs, Roaring Fork and Yampah Mountain High Schools. GED graduates are also eligible.
• Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
• Students must pursue a one or two-year technical/vocational certificate or degree at an accredited school or training facility.
• Eligible programs may include but are not limited to: dental or health care assistant; radiation tech; auto mechanics; welding; electronics; CAD/CAM systems; cosmetology, culinary arts; physical therapy; digital media; veterinary technician, etc.
• Student must consider Colorado Mountain College if the course of study is offered.
• Students must plan to be enrolled full-time per the college or program requirements and exhibit good character traits and dedication to succeed in their selected program.
• Students must exhibit financial need.
• Students who plan to obtain a four-year degree are NOT eligible.

Required Application Materials:

• Completed ACF application form
• Signed and dated personal essay
• Official school transcripts of grades
• One signed and dated letter of recommendation
• Recent photo
• FAFSA Student Aid Report
• Resume
• Interview required for finalists

If Selected:

• Scholarships generally range from $1,000-$5,000 each year, up to two years; awards are disbursed in four semester installments.
• Scholarship recipients must provide semester and yearly progress report by submitting their transcript to Aspen Community Foundation; this is required to continue receiving funds following each semester.
• Future scholarship disbursements are dependent upon maintaining a 2.0 GPA or equivalent, per school regulations; after graduation, recipients must inform Aspen Community Foundation of their success and provide feedback on their postsecondary experience.

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