**Rosetta Dodson Memorial Scholarship**

**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

1. **Am I eligible?**

*Any graduating senior attending a high school in Nelson County who has been accepted for admission to an undergraduate degree program at an accredited college, university, or vocational school is eligible for the Rosetta Dodson Memorial Scholarship.*

**2.** **Must the applicant have received acceptance for admittance to an accredited college, university or vocational program for undergraduate study?**

*Yes.*

**3. Is there a Grade Point Average (GPA) threshold?**

*Yes, the applicant must maintain at least a* ***2.5 average on a 4.0 scale*** *during the application period. No exceptions.*

**4. Must the applicant show proof of financial need?**

*Yes, applicants are required to report the adjusted gross income (AGI) from the family’s most recent tax return.*

**5. Should the entire application be typed?**

*No, if a student does not have access to a computer the application may be submitted non-typed but all information must be clearly readable.*

**6. What must be included in my application packet?**

*a. Typed or legibly written and completed application, signed where indicated.*

*b. Official transcript of your school record, indicating your current GPA.*

*c. One signed letter of recommendation in the original sealed envelope, initialed across the back by the writer, as is customary. These letters may come from teachers, employers, mentors, and others who can attest to your experience, academic abilities, character, and potential to succeed. Do not submit letters from relatives.*

*d. Proof of acceptance or admission (or equivalent) letter from the institution to which you will attend.*

*e. An essay, prepared by the applicant, and meeting the number of words requirement (between 500 words and 1000 words), that addresses the application essay topic. The essay may not be a duplicate of a prior year’s essay.*

**7. May I fax my application in?**

*No, your complete application packet (all documents in one packet) must be mailed or submitted via email by the application deadline.*

**8. May I (or may my school) provide my official transcript at a later date? Or may my Letters of Recommendation be submitted at a later date?**

*No, all documentation must be submitted at the same time in a single packet (i.e., all in one envelope, please).*

**9. Can the check be mailed directly to me?**

*Yes, but please be sure to notify us should your mailing address change after submission of your scholarship application.*

**10. What if I change schools?**

*E-mail* [*info@ourcommonwealthky.com*](mailto:info@ourcommonwealthky.com) *for more instructions.*