

This scholarship application is for the following funds:

• **Marilee & Gayle Gaunt Memorial Scholarship**

Established in 2007 as a fund of The Dunkirk Foundation, after the passing of Betty L. Gaunt, in memory of her daughters Marilee Gaunt and Gayle Gaunt who were tragically killed in July 1966. The fund is to provide scholarships to individuals seeking educational and vocational training at a post-secondary institution. The recipients shall be residents of Dunkirk or reside within two miles of the corporate boundary of Dunkirk. The fund was transferred to The Portland Foundation in 2023 when The Dunkirk Foundation merged with The Portland Foundation.

• **Dr. H. L. Shroyer Christian Love Scholarship**

Established in 1970 as a fund of The Dunkirk Foundation by Dr. Shroyer and his wife Carolyn Shroyer. The fund is to provide scholarships to high school graduates from either Jay County, Niles Township in Delaware County and/or Jackson Township in Blackford County to the student(s) who most exemplifies Christ's love in their daily life. The fund was transferred to The Portland Foundation in 2023 when The Dunkirk Foundation merged with The Portland Foundation. Per Dr. Shroyer's direction the application process has always required each applicant to submit an essay written on the topic "What Christ and his Love mean to me."

• **Ella & Irene Cunningham Scholarship**

Established in 1995 as a fund of The Dunkirk Foundation through the Will of Miss Ella Cunningham, a long time teacher in the Dunkirk schools. The fund is to provide scholarships to students of the Dunkirk area, later defined to be applicants living within the city limits of Dunkirk. Applicants may be either high school seniors or non-traditional students and must reside in the 47336 zip code. Preference is given to students seeking higher education in either business or education. Further preference is given to female applicants. The fund was transferred to The Portland Foundation in 2023 when The Dunkirk Foundation merged with The Portland Foundation.

The Dunkirk Community Funds Scholarship Application 2025

Please download and complete all applications via Adobe Reader.

Applicant Name _____

Street Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Code _____ Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____ email _____

_____ Gender (check one) ___ Male ___ Female

School currently attending _____

Anticipated graduation date _____

Current (or final) GPA _____ out of _____

If applicable, when did you earn your High School Diploma or GED? _____

What is, or do you plan to be, your Major?

If you are not currently enrolled in college, where do you plan to attend?

What degree or certification do you hope to earn?

With whom are you residing (circle one)

Both parents, mother, father, parent & step- parent, legal guardian, other (please explain)

How many people currently reside in your home? ____

In 2023 or 2024, did you or anyone in your household receive benefits from any of the federal benefits programs listed? Check all that apply. ___ Supplemental Security Income ___ Food Stamps Free or Reduced Price Lunch ___ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) ___ WIC

Are you currently employed? (check one) __ Yes ___ No Full ___ Part-time ___ (check one) If yes, where?

Consider application for:

Gaunt Shroyer Cunningham (Please note, the Shroyer Scholarship has an essay requirement)

Please Sign: _____ Please Date: _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen (check one) Yes No

Marital Status (check one) Married Single Separated Divorced Widowed

Do you have children? (check one) Yes No

If yes, how many? _____

What is the highest level of education earned by your father & mother? (check one for each)

Level Completed: Father Mother

High School Diploma or GED

Associates/Vocational Certificate

Bachelor's Degree

Post-Graduate Degree

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High School Diploma or GED

Associates/Vocational Certificate

Bachelor's Degree

Post-Graduate Degree

Are you a High School Senior or a Non-traditional student? (A non-traditional student is one who has not attended college right after high school. For instance, they may be an older student, a parent, going back after a break from school, or working on an additional degree years after the first one was completed).

High School Senior Non-Traditional Student

Please submit this completed application and all attachments by FEBRUARY 21, 2025 to:

jcook@portlandfoundation.org

**NOTE: you will receive receipt confirmation*