



*The Nevada State Treasurer's Office and
The Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada*



Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship Procedures and Guidelines *(January 2012)*

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MIDNIGHT APRIL 1, 2012

In 2011, the Nevada Legislature unanimously approved and Governor Sandoval signed into law Senate Bill 220, establishing the *Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship*. SB220 provides that donations to this trust fund be used to bestow an additional scholarship amount each year to one qualified Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholar who is majoring in elementary or secondary education with the intent of teaching in Nevada.

Eligibility

A Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship may be awarded to one student each year to supplement a current Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholarship student who meets the following criteria:

1. Must be an eligible Millennium Scholar with no strikes against his/her scholarship at the time of application;
2. Must be entering his/her senior or last year of college with 90 or more credits at an eligible institution¹;
3. Be enrolled in and remain enrolled in a course of study leading to licensure in elementary or secondary education;
4. Maintain a college grade point average of not less than 3.5 on a 4.0 grading scale;
5. State a commitment to teaching in Nevada upon graduation; and
6. Have a commendable record of community service.

Award

The maximum annual award for the selected applicant, to the extent of available funding, will be in an amount not to exceed \$4,500 to pay the educational expenses of the recipient for the next school year. The Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship must be used only for the payment of:

- Registration fees and laboratory fees and expenses.
- To purchase required textbooks and course materials.

¹ Eligible institutions are the University of Nevada, Reno; University of Nevada Las Vegas; Great Basin College; Nevada State College; and Sierra Nevada College.

Application

Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship applications are available on the Nevada State Treasurer's Office: www.nevadatreasurer.gov. Applications must be received by the State Treasurer's Office as soon as possible for the Fall 2012 semester, but no later than **midnight April 1, 2012**.

Applicants will be required to submit:

- A resume which includes information about the applicant's school and community involvement, awards, and achievements.
- A short essay (no longer than 500 words) describing what the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship means to you and how you will use your education degree to benefit the citizens of Nevada (essays will be reviewed for correct spelling, grammar, and content).
- A statement detailing community service you have performed or been associated with, and contact information so we may verify the information.
- A recommendation letter from a teacher, professor, or department head **sent under separate cover** with the applicant clearly identified in the body of the letter.
- No more than three (3) letters of recommendation from non-family members to support your application.

Applications may be submitted electronically or by hard copy to the State Treasurer's Office. Students may not submit more than one application. Name and contact information must be clearly stated.

Selection Process

All applications will be reviewed by the State Treasurer's office. Those which meet the eligibility criteria for the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship will be provided to an independent review committee. The review committee will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada (Board), which will consider, evaluate, and choose the recipient.

Selection of the recipient will be at the complete and sole discretion of the Board.

Distribution of the Award

The Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship award will be withdrawn from the Memorial Millennium Trust Fund in a lump sum and sent directly to the eligible institution by the State Treasurer's Office on behalf of the recipient student. The Memorial Millennium Scholarship may be used only for educational expenses in the same manner as the Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program.

The award is not transferrable to another student and will be rescinded if there is evidence of deceit, false, and/or intentionally incorrect information submitted on the application.

If the recipient of the Memorial Millennium Scholarship is not able for whatever reason to utilize the entire award, the remaining balance will be returned to the Memorial Millennium Scholarship Trust Fund.

General Information

All applications for the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship will remain the property of the State Treasurer's Office.

A student may apply only one time for the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship award. If a change, update, or addition to the application is necessary, those updates must be received by the State Treasurer's Office prior to the midnight deadline date. Thereafter, no further updates or additions will be accepted.

The State Treasurer's Office is not responsible for applications that are lost, late, misdirected, incomplete, damaged, incomprehensible, illegible, undelivered, or delayed.

All applicants will be notified by mail as soon as possible after the Board has chosen a recipient.

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