

Del Coleman Memorial Scholarship for Service and Vocational Training

Background about the Scholarship: This scholarship is presented by Coleman Equipment and paid with funds left by Jim Coleman that were specifically designated for charitable causes. It is in memory of Del Coleman. Del was a graduate of Bonner Springs High School, and a lifelong member of this community. From 1972 until his passing in 2015, Del helped lead Coleman Equipment into being one of the major equipment dealerships in the Kansas City area. His dedication to serving his customers and the community left a positive legacy that we honor with this scholarship. Del believed in the equipment industry that he served, the need for young people to enter it and the opportunities for them.

This scholarship is for students who have shown an interest in pursuing and earning an industry recognized credential (IRC) in a vocational trade of engine technology either diesel or small engine, or equipment repair either farm or heavy. It is awarded to students that reflect the values that Del believed; hard work, fairness, service and pride in their work.

Eligibility:

1. Be a student graduating from Bonner Springs High School.
2. Be in good standing with the high school.
3. Be planning to attend or already enrolled at a technical school or college and seeking an Industry Recognized Credential (IRC) for a career trade in engine technology either diesel or small engine, or equipment repair either farm or heavy.
4. Provide a copy of their transcript from the school's Guidance office.

Selection Criteria: The following factors shall be considered by the selection committee in choosing the students to receive the scholarships. These are not listed in order of importance but are part of the cumulative evidence the selection committee will use to make their decision. All decisions by the selection committee are final.

- Trade or Vocation program involvement
- Interest in a hands-on trade or vocation
- Work History
- Extracurricular Activities
- Financial Need
- Attendance
- Grade Point Average
- Legibility and Clarity of application materials
- 1 Letter of Recommendation from school faculty or staff, a community member, or local business owner. Please submit only 1 letter. If more than one are received, only the top letter will be read by the committee.