

Gladys McKinley Scholarship

This annual scholarship is sponsored by Thinking Publications to honor Gladys McKinley. This award has been named for Gladys McKinley, whose only child (Michael) married Nancy McKinley, founder of Thinking Publications, a professional publishing house financially supported in its early years by reserves in the McKinley family. Gladys was a rural schoolteacher in northern Minnesota during the 1930s and 40s and loved children.

Guidelines for Application:

This scholarship will be presented at the WSHA Convention in the spring of each year. The amount to be awarded during the WSHA Convention will be \$1,000. While there are no restrictions on how the money is to be spent, the intent is for it to be used toward education. To apply for the scholarship, a student must meet the following conditions:

1. Be in a speech-language pathology program in an accredited graduate program in the state of Wisconsin.
2. Demonstrate financial need as documented by a written statement in the application.
3. Submit two letters of recommendations that describe clinical and academic abilities. These letters may be from faculty members or supervisors of practicum.
4. Submit a completed application form along with an official transcript of all graduate coursework.

Preference will be given to students from rural farm backgrounds and to those planning to seek employment in schools or medical facilities serving small rural communities.

The completed application form, graduate transcript, and letters of recommendation **must be received by the WSHA Foundation on or before June 20, 2010.** Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.

The WSHA Foundation does not discriminate based on race, color, creed, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

You may duplicate this form as much as needed.

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APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone Number: (____)_____ Univ Phone Number: (____)_____

Email Address: _____

University: _____

Certification by Chairperson of the graduate program:

I certify that the applicant is currently enrolled or was enrolled during the most recent fall semester in a graduate program and has a major in Speech-Language Pathology.

(Signature and Title)

Responses to the following questions will be rated together with the recommendations and grade point average to determine which applicant excels in clinical, academic, and professional activities; demonstrates financial need; and has experience or interest in rural settings. If a response is longer than the space permits, please continue on an additional sheet of paper.

1. What strengths do you bring to your intended profession?

2. Describe the extent of your financial need for this scholarship.

3. Do you qualify for the rural preferences cited in the cover page?

_____ yes _____ no

Please explain:

4. What professional/community service contributions have you made as a student (e.g., WSHA, NSSLHA, volunteer programs)?

5. Why should you be selected to receive this scholarship?

Please be certain to include the two letters of recommendation and your official graduate transcript with this application. If there are questions, contact the WSHA Foundation at CSEasterling@aol.com. All materials must be received at the WSHA Foundation office on or before June 20, 2010. Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.

Mail application to: Wisconsin Speech-Language-Hearing Association Foundation, Inc., 344 Evergreen Lane, Pewaukee, WI 53072.