

Nicholls State University Alumni Federation Luke and Betty Ford Endowed Scholarship



Creation of Scholarship:

The Nicholls State University Alumni Federation has established a new endowed scholarship to honor the memory of Luke and Betty Ford. This scholarship will touch the lives of hopeful students and honor future generations of Colonels. Luke Ford Jr. (DIP '54, BA '63, MEd '68), was the recipient of the 2015 James Lynn Powell Award, the highest honor awarded to a Nicholls alumnus. He spent a lifetime humbly serving his alma mater. He was a huge supporter of Nicholls and his goal was to give back to the university that he says gave him so much. Luke often said, "My professional objective through my years as a teacher and an administrator has been to help students both individually and as a group to obtain the best education possible. Students need to know that someone is genuinely interested in their welfare and progress."

Scholarship Criteria:

Applicant must:

- Be a graduate of E.D. White Catholic High School or Thibodaux High School and be a full-time undergraduate student at Nicholls State University
- Have a GPA of at least a 2.5 overall at the time of application, and must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA in core curriculum in addition to a cumulative 2.5 GPA
- Must provide a copy of his/her high school/college transcript and co-curricular activity reporting form. Special consideration will be given to the applicant's character, leadership and participation in professional, charitable or community organizations.
- Submit a typed 250-word essay detailing why he/she should receive the scholarship
- List two academic and/or professional references (*References must not be related to the applicant. Letters of recommendation are not necessary.*)
- *The applicant must not be in receipt of any academic scholarship aid.*
- Submit the application form

**Prior award of the Alumni Federation Luke and Betty Ford Endowed Scholarship would eliminate an applicant from current consideration. A student may only receive this scholarship once. The awarded scholarship will be in the amount of \$250 per semester (Fall & Spring) for 1 year only second semester, pending retention of all criteria.*

Applications must be returned to the Office of Alumni Affairs or the Nicholls Scholarship Office **NO LATER** than **March 31st**.

**Office of Alumni Affairs
Nicholls State University
P. O. Box 2158
Thibodaux, LA 70310**

**Office of Scholarships
Nicholls State University
P. O. Box 2005
Thibodaux, LA 70310**

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at (985) 448-4111 or alumniaffairs@nicholls.edu.

**NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI FEDERATION
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All blanks must be completed for this application to be considered. If something is not applicable, put N/A in the blank.

Application for 20 ____ to 20 ____

Continue answers on back of Application if needed.



Type or print only.

THIS INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL

Overall grade point average _____

Name _____ Age _____ N# _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Local Phone _____ Cell _____

Address while attending Nicholls _____

Have you applied for Financial Aid? yes _____ no _____

Student Resources (*Monetary*)

Other financial aid (*for example: grant, loan, off or on campus employment, etc.*):

Other scholarships held at present time: _____

_____ \$ Value of Scholarships _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Plans after graduation: _____

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List two academic and/or professional references:

Reference 1:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

Reference 2:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

Have you:

- _____ attached a typed 250-word essay?
- _____ attached a co-curricular activity reporting form from Nicholls?
- _____ attached a copy of your transcript?
- _____ completed all blanks?

I swear that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and I understand that the falsification of any information shall automatically disqualify me from any further consideration for this scholarship. I hereby agree that my signature allows the Nicholls State University Alumni Federation to verify all information on this application.

Applicant Signature

Date