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The Chester J. Lapinski Educational Trust APPLICATION FORM

The Chester J. Lapinski Educational Trust was established in 1998 as part of the Last Will and Testament of Chester J. Lapinski, a parishioner of St. Michael the Archangel Church of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The purpose of the trust was to establish an annual scholarship to aid the successful applicant “to acquire a good education so that he (or she) may be better fitted and qualified to appreciate and help to preserve the laws and constitution of this free country, defend its flag and by his (or her) conduct as a good citizen reflects honor on the State of Connecticut and all of the Polish Americans in these United States”.

One scholarship of **Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00)** or, in the case of two applicants judged equally worthy of the scholarship, two scholarships of **Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00)** each will be awarded. Payment is made directly to the College or University where the awardee(s) will attend. A committee of four St. Michael the Archangel Church parishioners in Bridgeport will select the winner(s). The Scholarship is a onetime payment.

The following are the criteria for application:

1. Catholic high school students from a Catholic high school in the Diocese of Bridgeport
2. Catholic young man or woman entering college or university
3. Applicant must be of Polish American extraction whose mother or father's family surname has never been legally or otherwise changed
4. Demonstrated financial need

Documents to submit:

1. Financial Need – Please submit the Federally Assisted Financial Student Aid (FAFSA) for College Entrance 2020
2. Application form

Deadline: APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, MAY 11, 2020.

Where to Send the Application Form and FAFSA: Due to the current pandemic, please email your application and FAFSA form to Anne McCrory (amccrory@diobpt.org) and Deb Tietjen (dtietjen@diobpt.org)

APPLICATION FORM

THE CHESTER J. LAPINSKI EDUCATIONAL
TRUST SCHOLARSHIP FOR POLISH AMERICAN
CATHOLIC STUDENTS

NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY/TOWN: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PARISH (NAME AND TOWN): _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

GRADUATION YEAR: _____

COLLEGE ENTERING IN THE FALL OF 2020: _____

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: _____

FATHER'S NAME: _____

DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 11, 2020

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FEDERALLY ASSISTED STUDENT FINANCIAL AID (FAFSA)
FORM WITH THIS APPLICATION. NO APPLICATION CAN BE CONSIDERED
WITHOUT IT.

THE CHESTER J. LAPINSKI EDUCATIONAL TRUST SCHOLARSHIP

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: _____

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS: _____

SAT SCORES:

SUMMER OR OTHER EMPLOYMENT: _____

The Chester J. Lapinski Educational Trust Scholarship

A short essay about what your Polish Heritage means to you. (250 words approximately)