General Information

The Award: The Kiwanis Mel Ashcraft Scholarships are awarded annually to Conejo Valley Unified School District high school seniors who intend to pursue a field of study in a math or sciences related subject. Particular attention is paid to students demonstrating financial need.

Stipend: This is a one-year scholarship of $1,000.

Use of Scholarship: The scholarships are to be used for tuition, books, and miscellaneous expenses of the recipients to further their academic or career education in a math or science related field.

Application: Application blanks are available at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Website at www.tokiwanis.org. Application must be received or postmarked no later than 5 PM on the third Friday of March.

1. This scholarship is open to:
   a. Students who wish to attend a trade, technical, or specialized school in the fields of math or science.
   b. Students who wish to attain a Baccalaureate degree in a math or science-based subject.
   c. Students who wish to attain an Associate Degree in a math or science-based subject.

2. The student must have demonstrated a commitment to pursuing a career in a math or science related field.

Eligibility:
1. Only complete applications received or postmarked prior to 5 PM on the third Friday of March are eligible.
2. Graduating high school students and having a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA in math and science related subjects.
3. Previous Mel Ashcraft Scholarship recipients in financial need who are currently enrolled in an institution of higher learning pursuing math and science related curriculum may apply again.

Selection:
The final decision of awards will be made by the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks, Mel Ashcraft Scholarship Committee. Selection will be made on the basis of commitment to a math or science related field, answers to application questions, essay review and letters of recommendation. Financial need will also be considered but is not a requirement.
Presentation of Award:
Recipients will be notified by email and will be presented their award at a regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks.

Submit With Application

- Answers to following questions:
  - What math or science related field do you intend to pursue?
  - How do you plan to accomplish your goal?
  - Who inspired you to go in this direction?

- Letter of recommendation from a math or science faculty member at your school

- Essay: Describe your motivation to pursue your math or science related field, including influences and what you want to achieve.

- Transcripts showing minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA in math and science related subjects.

- Statement of financial need, if appropriate.

☐ Mail Application Packet with Recommendation Letter and any required documentation to:

  Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks
  Mel Ashcraft Scholarship Committee
  P.O. Box 1791
  Thousand Oaks, CA 91358

For questions about this application or its status, please contact a scholarship committee person at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks via email at Gossitt@gmail.com.
Applicant Information

Name ___________________________ ___________________________ ___
           First                             Last                   M.I.

Address

_________________________________________  _________________
            Street                                           City

_______ Zip

E-mail_________________________Phone # __________________________

Name of parent or guardian: ________________________________

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____                     Gender - M   F

Name of High School: ________________________________

Further training or education plans for next school year:

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By signing this document you confirm the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified from this award.

Signature ___________________________ Date ___
Dear Teacher/Counselor/Staff,

This student, ____________________________, is applying for a Kiwanis Mel Ashcraft Scholarship in the amount of $1,000.00. It will be awarded to a graduating student who intends to pursue an education in math and/or science related field. The award is based on passion for a particular math/science related field, unweighted gpa in math/science classes, a math/science faculty member’s recommendation and an essay.

What can you share with us about this student’s desire, performance, and personality traits? What special math or science related projects have they completed? How long have you known this student and in what capacity? Financial need will also be considered…please advise if appropriate for this student.

Please write your response and **seal** it in the envelope. Include your name and position. Return the sealed envelope to the applicant so they can complete the application.

Thank you for your time and your assistance in this process.

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks
Mel Ashcraft Scholarship Committee