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## The Dennis and Shirley Eismach Scholarship Application

The Dennis and Shirley Eismach Scholarship Fund has been established to recognize high school seniors who have demonstrated a high level of commitment to voluntary service in their community. Both Dennis and Shirley were dedicated to serving their communities at the state and local level throughout their lives. Dennis served in a decades long career with the SD Highway Patrol followed by several years as an elected official with the SD Public Utilities Commission, and then Mayor of Pierre. Shirley taught in the Pierre Public Schools as a sixth-grade teacher at Washington, McKinley, and Lincoln Elementary Schools and as an eighth grade English teacher at Pierre Junior High School until her retirement in 1995. During their working and retired lives, Shirley and Dennis volunteered generously with their leadership, energy, and time in many organizations at the local, state, and national levels. Both were ardent supporters of the Pierre community and especially of its students whom they encouraged, cheered on, and followed closely even after their graduation from high school. A one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to be used toward the applicant's tuition. The scholarship funds will be dispersed in the 2nd semester of the applicant's freshman year.

### Selection Criteria/Requirements:

- 1) Applicants will be awarded this scholarship based on their volunteer service (school and community), academic record, and extra-curricular involvement;
- 2) Applicants must be a graduating senior of T.F. Riggs Senior High School who is planning to attend a post-secondary school (vocational, technical, or 4-year college).

Please type your application. This application must be completed and submitted to the Pierre Educational Foundation no later than **March 31**.

**Mail application to: Pierre Educational Foundation, PO Box 94, Pierre, SD 57501**

**Print single sided only.**

Full name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Present home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years lived in Pierre : \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent / Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to the questions below, attach the following to your application:

**A complete copy of your high school transcript**

**Two Letters of Recommendation** from individuals who have overseen your volunteer hours must be included with this application.

**A five-hundred word typed essay** describing your favorite volunteer experience including what you learned from the volunteer activity.

**Resume** including your academic, extra-curricular and employment history

**Verification of your ACT Score** (page 4)

**Please answer the questions thoughtfully and thoroughly. If you need additional space, please attach additional sheets. Your complete answers are appreciated to assist the scholarship committee with their selection.**

**Name**\_\_\_\_\_

**Education** – please provide your answers to all questions below. You may type them on a separate page if extra space is needed.

How many years do you plan to attend college, and what course of study would you like to pursue?

What future business or educational career will you likely pursue after finishing college?

Which college(s) would you most like to attend?

Which colleges have you applied to for admission? Please indicate your acceptance status.

## Volunteer History

List your volunteer activities including a brief description of the type of volunteer work and number of hours volunteered. You may add Volunteer Organizations as needed.

### Volunteer Organization # 1:

Dates of Volunteer Service: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Volunteer Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Volunteer Hours

### Volunteer Organization #2:

Dates of Volunteer Service: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Volunteer Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Volunteer Hours

### Volunteer Organization # 3:

Dates of Volunteer Service: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Volunteer Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Volunteer Hours

### Volunteer Organization # 4:

Dates of Volunteer Service: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Volunteer Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Volunteer Hours

**Below is a checklist of all documentation that must be included with this application.**

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- **Resume** including your academic, extra-curricular and employment history
- **Verification of your ACT Score** (below)

ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Exam \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Guidance Counselor or Principal verifying ACT information

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**I do state the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Deadline: March 31**

**Submit this application with all required documents listed above to the Pierre Educational Foundation.**