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## FOR SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

### DICK DEPAOLIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

*A Scholarship Program of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan*

#### SUMMARY

The purpose of the Dick DePaolis Memorial Scholarship is to provide educational scholarship support to scholar-athletes who are graduates of North Farmington High School. The first award was made in 2004.

The scholarship materials are available on the North Farmington High School Website and also available on the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan Website at <http://cfsem.org/scholarships>.

#### BACKGROUND

The family of Dick DePaolis established this scholarship to honor his love of and his commitment to learning and leadership both in the classroom and on the athletic field.

#### WHO MAY APPLY?

Seniors who are on track to graduate from North Farmington High School.

Employees of the Foundation, members of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation as well as dependents of employees of North Farmington High School, and dependents of the scholarship selection committee are ineligible for scholarship consideration.

#### WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR SELECTION?

##### **Mandatory Criteria**

- Varsity sports athletes who demonstrate leadership, academic discipline and good sportsmanship on and off the field
- Students with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher
- All awards will be made without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or sexual identification.

##### **Preferred Criteria**

- All else being equal among applicants preference may be given to those who demonstrate financial need; play varsity football; or plan to major in Liberal Arts (such as History or English). Applicants do not need to meet these criteria in order to apply for or be a recipient of the Dick DePaolis Memorial Scholarship.

#### WHAT ARE THE AWARD CONDITIONS?

- Application or acceptance as a full-time student at an accredited educational institution in the United States.
- Recipients must enroll full-time at a non-profit or state supported four year college or university in the United States

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- If an award recipient withdraws from the educational institution, the award will be cancelled and the unspent portion will be returned to the Community Foundation.
- If a recipient chooses to enroll at a different educational institution than originally indicated, they may use the scholarship at any of the other public or private colleges or universities in Michigan that are tax exempt under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- All Dick DePaolis Memorial Scholarship winners are required to submit an academic transcript at the end of their year of award.

### HOW WILL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PAYMENTS BE MADE?

- Award payments will be made to the Financial Aid Office, or its equivalent, of the educational institution in the name of the educational institution. Payments are limited to tuition and fees, books and supplies and room and board expense.
- Award payments will be made as soon as the (1) recipient has signed and returned the Terms of Grant Agreement to the
- Community Foundation, (2) the recipient has notified the Community Foundation of the eligible university in which they plan to enroll, (3) the university has verified enrollment and (4) the university has verified that it will not reduce previously awarded grant/scholarship aid as a result of this award, unless required by federal or state law.
- Awards are subject to state and federal income guidelines.

### ARE AWARDS RENEWABLE?

- The Dick DePaolis Memorial Scholarship is a one-time award.

### HOW DO I APPLY?

- Get the Scholarship Application Form on the North Farmington High School Website or from the "Common Forms for Applicants" at <http://cfsem.org/scholarships>.
- Request that one of your teachers complete a Recommender Form which can be found on the North Farmington High School Website or from the "Common Forms for Applicants" at <http://cfsem.org/scholarships>.
- Complete the Scholarship Application Form and needed attachments and submit them to the Counseling Office at North Farmington High School.
- You are responsible for seeing that all materials are postmarked or submitted to the Counseling Office at North Farmington High School on or before deadline, which is determined by the counseling office.
- Applications that are not complete by the deadline will not be considered.

If you need additional information or materials, please contact the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan at (313) 961-6675 or [scholarships@cfsem.org](mailto:scholarships@cfsem.org)