

Fast Approaching Glen Oaks Foundation Scholarship Deadline is April 1st

The April 1st scholarship application deadline for fall 2011 enrollment is fast approaching, so the time to ready and submit application materials is now. Foundation Executive Director Janene Breneman said returning and new Glen Oaks students planning to attend the 2011-12 term are urged to not wait until the last minute to begin the process. Getting started now will allow the student time to gather the required documents to apply. Recommendation letters, essay and financial information may be required, depending on the scholarship.

The Glen Oaks Community College Foundation Scholarships may be used for education related expenses based on both need and merit. Each scholarship considers academic ability, financial circumstances and career goals in the selection of recipients. Jean Zimmerman, Director of Financial Aid/Scholarship said scholarships exist in programs of studies of Health Sciences, Technical, Business and Human Services areas. The Director recommends those students interested in applying should either contact the Financial Aid Office at 269-994-4260 or visit the Glen Oaks Community College web-site www.glenoaks.edu to access the list of scholarships, the application and the requirements necessary to apply.

Last year a total of \$46,000 was awarded to 58 students to assist with their tuition and other expenses related to their education. This year five new named scholarship funds have been added to bring the total number of scholarship funds to 38. **Kenneth “Ken” R. Nelson Scholarship** will be awarded to a student majoring in education pursuing an Associate’s Degree of Arts, Science or General Studies. The student must be enrolled full-time (12 or more credit hours), and have a minimum cumulative gpa of 2.5. **Gary & Susan Wheeler Leadership Scholarship** will be awarded to a student pursuing an Associate’s Degree who resides in St. Joseph County or Glen Oaks Service Area and enrolled full-time (12 or more credit hours). Applicant will need to have demonstrated leadership skills by participating in activities beyond the regular classroom expectations. **Elmer Black Community Leadership Scholarship** will be awarded to a student pursuing an Associate’s Degree who resides in St. Joseph county and enrolled in at least half-time (6 or more credit hours). The applicant must have a minimum of 3.0 GPA and will need to have demonstrated leadership skills by participating in activities volunteering in community programs, student government, school or college clubs and organizations or athletic teams. New in the Health Sciences there is the **Betty L. Leister Memorial Nursing Scholarship** awarded to an accepted second year nursing student with a current gpa of 3.0 and enrolled full-time (12 or more credit hours). **Patricia J. Wortinger Nursing Scholarship** awarded to an accepted nursing student pursuing a career as a Licensed Practical Nurse or Registered Nurse. The applicant must have a minimum 3.0 gpa and be a resident of St. Joseph County.

To learn more about the Glen Oaks Community College Foundation and how you can contribute to the success of area students contact Janene Breneman at 269-294-4384 or visit the foundation web-site at www.glenoaks.edu/foundation