



Kris Borchard Strive For Excellence Scholarship

Kris Borchard was a remarkable woman, who touched many lives. She was a champion for healthcare in the Meeker community. Kris dedicated over 25 years of service to our emergency and ambulance service—Meeker Fire and Rescue. She served on the Pioneers Medical Center board of directors, and she was instrumental in the 9News Health Fair each year. Kris’s commitment to healthcare was reflected in many aspects of her life, from her professional career to her community service.

Description: This scholarship will be awarded to a Meeker resident who has successfully completed his or her Associate’s or Bachelor’s Degree in a healthcare-related field, and is now pursuing a post-graduate level degree (i.e. Physician, Masters in Nursing in a specialized field, Anesthesiology Assistant, Physical Therapist, Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Physician Assistant, Psychologist, Pharmacist, etc.).

Scholarship Amount: Up to \$4,000 as a \$1,000 annual-renewable scholarship to be paid out for up to 4 years. Recipient must maintain at least a 3.0 G.P.A, or a letter, from the school, stating you are a student in good standing throughout graduate school to be eligible for renewal. *NOTE: Scholarship Recipient will be asked to sign a promissory note and in the event that the recipient is unable to complete their degree, they will be asked to re-pay the scholarship on a pro-rated basis.*

Eligibility: All of the following criteria must be met to be eligible.

- 1) Be accepted into an accredited post-graduate program, as listed above. *(If you have questions on whether your area of study would be eligible, please call Margie Joy 970-878-9317)*
- 2) Must have an undergraduate G.P.A. of 3.2.
- 3) Must be a Meeker resident *(Meeker resident is defined as, currently living in Meeker or a Meeker High graduate within the past 6 years.)*
- 4) Must maintain a “student in good standing” or equivalent to 3.0 G.P.A. to be eligible to renew scholarship.

Community Outreach: Community involvement is an important component of this scholarship. Kris was involved. She gave many hours of volunteer time as an EMS provider, planning the 9News Health Fair, and was highly involved in her church. Equally important is to recognize that the funding for the **Kris Borchard Strive for Excellence Scholarship** comes from many generous donations from individuals and businesses within the Meeker community.

One aspect of this scholarship is helping to instill health and wellness throughout the community. The recipient will be asked to give one day of tangible community service for each year you receive the scholarship. The community activity should promote health and wellness (e.g. a day working with youth on a healthcare topic, volunteering during the Meeker 9News Health Fair, community talks, etc.). You will be asked to describe your community service in your application.

The committee is excited to receive your application. We hope that by offering the Strive for Excellence Scholarship we can keep Kris’s passion for helping others flourishing.



KRIS BORCHARD
STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Applications must be received by Friday, April 5, 2013
Return applications to Pioneers Healthcare Foundation Offices
345 Cleveland, Meeker CO 81641
Attn: Strive for Excellence Scholarship Committee
970-878-9317

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone Number _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

Email address: _____

Name of current school: _____

Graduating Degree: _____

GPA _____ *Please attach a copy of your transcript.*

Where do you plan to continue your education and in what field/program?

Have you applied? _____ *Been accepted?* _____ *Waiting to hear?* _____

On a separate paper, please respond to the following questions. Include your name at the top of the page. Responses must be typewritten.

What are your professional goals?

Describe your extracurricular activities.

Describe your community involvement

In 2-3 paragraphs (no more than 3), state why you feel you are deserving of this scholarship.

Describe what your community service activity would be. What would you do to "give back" to the community?

Illustrate how this scholarship will make a difference.

Additionally, please submit

Academic record or copy of transcript

Two letters of recommendation (If possible it is encouraged that one letter be from a current professor on school letterhead.)

Evidence of acceptance to an accredited school (college, university, trade school etc.) *If evidence is not available at the time of application, evidence will be required prior to distribution of funds.*

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Scholarships will be awarded on May 18, 2013 during the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation Monte Carlo V. This event is dedicated to raising philanthropic resources to sustain and enhance healthcare in our Meeker community.