

The Samantha Kelly Memorial Fund



The Samantha Kelly Memorial Scholarship Application

The Samantha Kelly Memorial Scholarship is given to honor Samantha Kelly's memory. If all criteria are met, the scholarship is \$1,250 per year for four years.

Required Applicant Qualifications:

1. Female graduate of Williamsport High School, Williamsport, MD
2. Must plan to attend a two or 4-year college
3. Must have played a varsity sport at Williamsport High School
4. Must have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 or higher
5. May not have been granted a full scholarship to college for athletics or academics

Candidates will submit a completed application to the Scholarship Committee and, if selected in the first round, will participate in an interview with the committee. The awardee may apply to renew the scholarship for the subsequent three academic years if awarded a scholarship. Scholarship renewals must meet the following criteria:

1. The awardee must submit a completed renewal application each July.
2. The awardee must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 in college.



Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Email: _____

High School GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____ out of _____

List the varsity sports that you participated in while in high school:

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Number of Years</u>	<u>Special Awards/Honors</u>
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List activities other than sports in which you participate both in and outside of school:

The following items must be included with your application.

1. A copy of your official high school transcript (*must be signed by a school representative*).
2. A one-page essay written by you describing an **event or person** that has shaped your life or influenced you to be the person you are and hope to become.
3. Two *Character and Leadership Assessment Forms* completed by someone other than a relative or guidance counselor.
4. Copy of college acceptance letter.

Your completed application must be submitted by April 15, 2025

Please mail your completed application and materials to:

The Samantha Kelly Memorial Fund
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
16222 River Bend Court
Williamsport, MD 21795-2154

Please contact Jonna Vinci, Scholarship Committee Chair, with any questions at (240) 469-9394 or visit <http://www.samanthakellymemorialfund.org/scholarships.php> for more info.

CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP ASSESSMENT FORM

(adapted from The Stephen Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund)

This is to be completed by someone other than a relative or guidance counselor, such as an employer, community service advisor, teacher, religious leader, or coach, who knows you well and can attest to your leadership and character.

Student's Name: _____

Recommender's Name: _____

In what capacity do you know the student: _____

For how long: _____

To the Recommender:

The above-named student is applying to The Samantha Kelly Memorial Fund, which provides college scholarships to female seniors at Williamsport High School who exhibit outstanding academics, athletics, and leadership. Successful applicants will share Samantha's love for life, kindness, and positive outlook. Your thoughtful input will help us to understand which of the following traits are this student's strongest, as **it would be the exceedingly rare student who displayed them all**. Please indicate, from your experience with the student, how often you have seen the following characteristics displayed by him/her:

A = Almost Always; **F** = Frequently; **O** = Occasionally; **R** = Rarely; **N** = Never; **U** = Unknown

Work Ethic/Dedication:

	1. Is dependable in fulfilling what is expected or promised.
	2. Displays initiative in anticipating and doing what needs to be done.
	3. Has the endurance and strength to withstand difficulties.

Concern for Others:

	4. Shows kindness and compassion to others and helps others in need.
	5. Is sensitive in perceiving attitudes and emotions around him/her.
	6. Tries to serve others before himself/herself.
	7. Thinks of others before himself/herself.
	8. Is accepting of the differences in others.

Commitment to Service:

	9. Demonstrates a passion for helping others one-on-one or through involvement with a service club, religious organization, community organization, family obligations, or volunteer experience.
	10. Demonstrates a consistent or long-term commitment to at least one type of service.

Personal Ethics:

	11. Values honesty and truthfulness in both self and others.
	12. Shows humility in accomplishments.
	13. Recognizes others' part in his/her successes.
	14. Is accountable for his/her own choices and decisions and doesn't blame others for own actions.
	15. Easily expresses gratitude to others.

