

Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Award

This award is supported by the Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Fund. The Fund was created by Elizabeth Katila in memory of her late husband shortly after his death in 1987. The first winner was announced at graduation ceremonies in 1988 and received the Neal J. Katila Scholarship Award. The name of Elizabeth was incorporated into the Award name by the Fund Trustees in 2002 after the death of Mrs. Katila. An award winner has been announced at every graduation since 1988.

Neal and Betty Katila were lifelong residents of Fairport. Neal opened the Neal Printing Company on High Street in 1929. He founded and published the *Fairport Beacon* that served as Fairport's own weekly newspaper for many years. Over the years many Fairport youngsters delivered handbills and copies of the *Beacon* in Fairport and parts of Painesville and Grand River as their first jobs. The Neal Printing Company served northeastern Ohio printing and office equipment needs for over 50 years.

The Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Award is available to an eligible, deserving Harding High graduating senior who is a resident of Fairport. A student must submit an application to be considered for the award. Applications are available at the Fairport Harding High Guidance Office. A selection committee chooses the award winner.

Requirements for Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be a current graduating senior in good standing at Fairport Harding High School and be a resident of Fairport Harbor.
2. The applicant is eligible for this scholarship award even if she/he receives other scholarship awards.
3. Applicant must have a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average (or above) through seven semesters of Grades 9-12.
4. Application for this scholarship award must be submitted by May 10 to the Guidance Office.
5. Application must be completed in full and be typewritten, computer printed or legibly hand written.
6. Need for financial aid may be one of the determining factors but it will not be the sole factor in selecting the award winner. Please include honors, awards, activities, offices held, and the like, as well as financial need information on as many separate pages as is necessary. Be thorough.
7. Letters of recommendation from employers, clergy, and so forth, are welcome. Please limit total to no more than three letters.

About the Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Award . . .

1. The Scholarship winner is named during the annual Fairport Harding High School Commencement Ceremony in June of each year. The Award monies are usually disbursed in September.
2. The Scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable award. The value of the award is announced in the spring of each year.
3. The Trustees of the Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Fund reserve the right to not award the scholarship in any given year.
4. The Award Winner must be enrolled at an accredited four (4) or two (2) year college or university on or before October 1 of the year of the award. Failure to enroll by the deadline means loss of award.
5. The award monies are to be used for tuition, books and/or supplies. The funds are paid directly to the college or university that monitors the use of those funds. Any unused monies are to be returned to the Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Fund.

The award for the year will be \$.

Application for Neal J. Katila and Elizabeth M. Katila Scholarship Award

Full Name: _____ Today's Date: _____
Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ Telephone: _____
Father's Name: _____ Living? Yes / No
Mother's Name: _____ Living? Yes / No
Do you live with your parents? Yes / No If no, what living arrangements do you have? _____

How many children living at home besides yourself? _____ How many of these are older than you? _____ Younger than you? _____ Any Brothers or Sisters in College? Yes / No Explain: _____

What is your cumulative grade point average? _____ Class Rank _____ of _____

List your ACADEMIC activities, honors, and awards as a:

Freshman: _____
Sophomore: _____
Junior: _____
Senior: _____

List ELECTED OFFICES held as a:

Freshman: _____
Sophomore: _____
Junior: _____
Senior: _____

List EXTRA-CURRICULAR activities, honors, and awards as a:

Freshman: _____
Sophomore: _____
Junior: _____
Senior: _____

Other things that you might want to tell us:

Freshman: _____
Sophomore: _____
Junior: _____
Senior: _____

How many hours of community service did you earn? _____ What type of service did you do to earn these hours? _____

List other out-of-school activities, (community, church, etc.): _____

What achievement, honor, award gave you the greatest satisfaction and why? _____

What kind of work have you done in after-school hours or during vacation times to earn money for your college expenses: _____

What percentage of your college expenses do you estimate you yourself will be able to contribute? _____% Your parents? _____% Other sources? _____% Please Explain _____

In what field of study do you plan to specialize? _____

Have you chosen the college you wish to attend? Yes / No If yes, where? _____

How many college years will be required to achieve your goal? _____

Are there any other factors or comments that you may want to be considered in the review of this application? _____

In approximately 250 words express your reasons and feelings as to why you have chosen to enter your particular field of study and career. _____
