

Synnøve-Nordkap Post-Secondary Scholarship Application 2021

Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge offers scholarships for post-secondary education (4 year, 2 year or vocational training) to active Lodge or Junior Lodge members or the children or grandchildren of active Lodge members. The number of scholarships to be awarded as well as the amount of the award will depend upon the number of highly qualified applications received, as well as the state of the Lodge's budget. Past grants have ranged from \$500-\$1500 with the possibility of renewal for those in good academic standing. The Lodge reserves the right to award no scholarships.

Applicants may be either current post-secondary students or high school students intending to pursue post-secondary education in the 2021-2022 school year. Preference will be given to those who have been active Junior Lodge and/or Lodge members. Previous recipients of this scholarship may apply again.

Applications must be mailed to Lodge Scholarship Coordinator Sasha Aslanian and postmarked by March 15, 2021. Completed applications will be initially reviewed and, if selected for further consideration, the candidates will be asked to interview with the selection committee in April or May, either by telephone or remotely. Candidate(s) who are selected for scholarships will be notified shortly thereafter. Any scholarship awarded comes with the expectation of either service to the Lodge and/or a contribution at a Lodge meeting or program, with the minimum being a short talk about what has been done with the scholarship received. In addition, the Lodge would like scholarship winners to be present at its picnic in June 2021 to receive the award formally and in person if possible. The Lodge dispenses monies directly to your institution.

Application Directions

1. A completed application packet consists of:
 - a. The completed application form
 - b. A short essay addressing the following theme:

How has your Norwegian heritage influenced you or your future goals?

The essay should be two pages typed and double-spaced.

- c. An official transcript.
 - d. One letter of recommendation supporting your application for this scholarship. The letter should be from someone other than a family member and should address your personal and academic qualifications as a candidate. If possible, the letter should also speak about your contributions to the Lodge and/or Junior Lodge. Previous recipients of scholarships should provide new letters of recommendation.
2. Please email all components of the application packet to:
sashaaslanian@gmail.com.

Completed applications must be received by March 15, 2021 in order to be reviewed.

3. Only complete application packets will be reviewed.
4. If you have questions about this application, please contact Sasha Aslanian, Lodge Scholarship Coordinator sashaaslanian@gmail.com

Synnøve-Nordkap College Scholarship Application Form

Personal Profile

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Affiliated Lodge
Member(s) _____

High School you attend/attended _____

Post-Secondary Institution you plan to attend or are attending

Anticipated Graduation Date _____

- 1) **Describe your involvement in the Lodge or Junior Lodge:** For how many years have you been a member of the Lodge and/or Junior Lodge? In what ways have you participated in Lodge or Junior Lodge activities? Have you volunteered service? Have you ever attended a Norwegian language or cultural skills camp? If yes, which ones and for how many years?

- 2) **Parental involvement in the Lodge:** For how many years have one or both parents been members of a Sons of Norway Lodge? How do they participate in Lodge activities? Have they ever served as an officer of the Lodge? If so, for which office and for how long?

- 3) **Grandparent involvement in the Lodge:** For how many years have any of your grandparents been members of a Sons of Norway Lodge? How do they participate in Lodge activities? Have they ever served as an officer of the Lodge? If so, for which office and for how long?

- 4) **High school or post-secondary academic performance and activities:** For your current school situation, briefly describe your studies and your performance in them. Have you received any awards in academics or other areas? Are you involved in any extra-curricular activities at school, such as sports, the arts, or clubs? Please describe your activities outside of school, such as employment, community service and volunteer experiences, church activities, sports, musical activities, and hobbies.

- 5) **Briefly describe your anticipated career goals.**