L. Dean Rees Community Volunteer Scholarship

L. Dean Rees was Junior Achievement of Utah’s most experienced classroom volunteer, teaching JA programs at Taylorsville High School every semester for over 12 years. He received both Bronze and Silver National Junior Achievement Leadership Awards, and was a favorite speaker at numerous Annual Governor’s Breakfasts, board meetings, and other JA functions. He was the Senior Vice President of Finance and Administration for Savage Companies at the time of his passing in March 2004.

In the name of this great business leader, community volunteer and family man, JA has started giving an annual $1,000 L. Dean Rees Community Volunteer Scholarship to a high school student who demonstrates community volunteerism at its finest.

The criteria used in identifying students who would qualify for this scholarship are as follows:

1. Service activities in the community.
2. Service activities within school and/or church organizations.
3. Need. Consideration will be given to candidates needing this particular scholarship to assure a continued education.
4. Knowledge of Junior Achievement. Candidates should display knowledge of Junior Achievement’s mission and must have participated in any Junior Achievement K-12 programs.
5. Scholarship. Some consideration will be given to scholastic excellence in the following broad categories:
   a. Inside the classroom (report cards, teachers’ or administrators’ recommendations)
   b. Outside the classroom (participation in JA’s programs, science fairs, self-study programs, hobbies, etc.)
6. Interview for select candidates.

Wayne Cederholm II Memorial Scholarship

Wayne Cederholm II was a compassionate father, friend and community leader. His legacy includes strong family values, rising to CEO of the nation’s largest refrigerated trucking company - C.R. England - and guiding numerous philanthropy projects, most notably Junior Achievement of Utah. He believed that every person has the ability to become extraordinary regardless of social status or mental aptitude. Through hard work, determination, and moral fiber, individuals can change their circumstances and affect positive results from those around them. This scholarship will be awarded to the high school senior who best displays these attributes and shows a determination to garner the absolute best from themselves and their communities.

To sustain Wayne Cederholm II’s belief that we must enable our youth to pursue their dreams, JA will award the $3,000 Wayne Cederholm II Memorial Scholarship to a high school senior who has demonstrated exemplary performance in service, achievement, and leadership. The scholarship will be awarded through two installments of $1,500 for each of two sequential semesters ensuring access to funding for one full year of higher education.

Applicants are encouraged to highlight their leadership skills as a scholar, employee, and service provider.

The criteria used in identifying students who would qualify for this scholarship are as follows:

1. Active role in student or community government.
2. Work experience.
3. Community service.
4. Scholarship. (Based on report cards, teachers’ or administrators’ recommendations, or other scholastic achievement.)
5. Knowledge of Junior Achievement. Candidates should display knowledge of Junior Achievement’s mission and participation in Junior Achievement’s high school programs.
6. Need. Consideration will be given to candidates needing this particular scholarship to assure a continued education.
7. Essay. Applicants must submit an essay of 500 words or less on one of three topics found on the official scholarship application form.
8. Interview for select candidates.

To receive the full scholarship, recipient must be enrolled in college or university during both Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 terms, must show passing grades and no class withdrawals for the first semester. Funds will be sent directly to the University of Utah.

How to apply

Deadline: April 30, 2020

Scholarship applications are available at your counselor’s office, or online at ja-utah.org (click ABOUT then SCHOLARSHIPS), or by email to Kristy Knecht at kristy@ja-utah.org.