

Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship

Application Process

The Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship offers a scholarship of \$2,000.00 to a competitive swimmer or diver from the Greater Flint, MI area. It is to be awarded annually to a high school swimmer or diver who fulfills the requirements outlined in the application and best demonstrates the characteristics and qualities that Mr. Yunker embodied and lived by.

Mr. Paul Yunker, a swimmer in high school, was a dedicated “swimming dad” who played an extremely active role in competitive swimming in the Genesee County area - serving as the President of the Flint Y Falcons Swim Team as well as being a Grand Blanc High School swimming booster parent. Married to an educator, academics and service were also very important to Paul. Even after working in a stable job for 19 years, Paul decided to finish his college degree while maintaining his job. He had a strong work ethic becoming an Eagle Scout as a youth and winning the Rite Aid Pharmacy “Human Resources Employee of the Year” award in 1995. However, Paul was probably known best for his carefree, positive attitude. He enjoyed living life for the sake of living it and was always a joy to be around. He died suddenly in May of 2015 but has left a lasting impact on so many around him.

A representative of Yunker family will be on the Scholarship Selection Advisory Committee. This committee will draw upon a Yunker family representative, local swimming/diving parents, area coaches, retired or present educators/coaches, swimming and diving officials, and individuals active in the local competitive swimming and diving community.

Qualifications

Applicants must:

- Be a student involved in a competitive swimming and/or diving program in the Greater Flint, MI area as a swimmer or a diver.
- Be a student in the graduating class of a Greater Flint area high school and a citizen of the United States.
- Have outstanding personal character and behavior patterns as a leader in his/her high school and community.
- Be a student of outstanding merit who shows an appreciation for the value of an education and who is willing to struggle to achieve success.
- **Rank in the upper one quarter of the class (25%) and have American College Test (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores to indicate academic success.**
- Have on record a letter of acceptance from an accredited college or university of the individual's choice. (Does not need to be submitted with this application.)
- **Applications must be postmarked by March 31 of the year applied for.**

The Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship is intended to provide a means to reward personal excellence in school and community to high school seniors. Students involved in a swimming and/or diving program in the Greater Flint, MI area may apply for this scholarship. The monetary value of this scholarship is \$2,000.00. Applicants receive consideration for this scholarship based on: (1) academic excellence; (2) ACT/SAT scores; (3) demonstrated service to school and community; (4) evidence of leadership ability; and (5) citizenship.

Eligibility of Applicant for the Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship

In order to be nominated for this scholarship, a candidate must:

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- Be a student in the graduating class of a Greater Flint, MI area high school and a citizen of the United States.
- Have outstanding personal character and behavior patterns as a leader in his/her high school and community.
- Be a student of outstanding merit who shows an appreciation for the value of an education and who is willing to struggle to achieve success.
- Ranked in the upper one quarter of the class (25%) and have American College Test (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores to indicate academic success.
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The Policies of the Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship Program

- Must be a full time college or university student.
- Scholarships are for one year only and are not renewable.
- Scholarships are in form of a check from the Genesee County Educational Foundation payable to the institution, in one installment, for the benefit of the recipient. Recipient must provide proof of enrollment in an undergraduate program at an accredited college or university.
- The scholarship award offer will be withdrawn from any student who will receive tuition and salary at a military academy.
- The scholarship award shall be forfeited immediately upon the advice of the Dean or authorized officials of said institution for failure to continue with classes due to misconduct, scholastic deficiency or other disqualifying causes.
- The following merit standards will prevail: Scholarship & Testing – 400 points; Leadership & Character – 675 points.

Make Sure This Application Includes:

- A typed statement of not more than three hundred (300) words prepared by the student stating the objective of further education and why the student thinks he/she is qualified for the scholarship. This should be an example of the student's best writing.
- A letter of not more than three hundred (300) words from a parent or guardian presenting a true picture of the family's financial and domestic situation, explaining any special circumstances, and showing the student's need of financial assistance to begin an education in an accredited college or university.
- A transcript of the student's high school educational record from the ninth grade through the first semester of senior year, including class rank, total number of students in his/her senior class, grade point average, and ACT/SAT scores notarized by the school.
- A comprehensive letter of recommendation covering leadership, character and scholarship of the applicant from one person directly associated with the student in high school.
- Two letters of endorsement from responsible (non-school) persons not related to the student, who have had an opportunity to observe the applicant and can give reference concerning the character, industry, purposefulness, and general worthiness of the applicant.

Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship Due Date

- All applications must be postmarked by **March 31st**.
- Winning candidates will be advised of the decision by the Yunker Scholarship Committee if they have been selected for the educational scholarship.



Paul W. Yunker Memorial Scholarship Application

Mail Application to:
Genesee County Educational Foundation
2413 W. Maple Avenue
Flint, MI 48507

**Application must be postmarked by
March 31st**

**Please read instructions on last page of
application.**

Questions: Coldham2796@charter.net

Personal Information (Please print clearly)

Name

Male Female

Number of dependent children in family _____

Home Address

Father's Name

City, State, ZIP

Father's Occupation

Phone

Mother's Name

Date of Birth

Birthplace

Mother's Occupation

Name and Address of High Schools Attended (most recent first, list name of school, address, and dates attended).

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Go on to the next page.

Principal at Current School _____

Counselor at Current School _____

Swim or Dive Coach _____

Intended Occupation or Profession _____

Activities, Honors, Awards, and Services

List the EXTRACURRICULAR activities in which you have engaged in your high school career. Include any offices or special positions (captains, etc.) that you have held and the hours per week or year that were involved.

	Sport/Activity	# Yrs	Hrs/Wk	Wks/Yr	Office/Position
Varsity Athletics	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Competitive Clubs (Debate, Quiz Bole, Etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other Clubs (French Club, Model United Nations, SADD, Etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Student Organizations (student Council, NHS, Yearbook, Etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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Other Activities
(Outside of School)

Sport/Activity	# Yrs	Hrs/Wk	Wks/Yr	Office/Position
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

List any honors or special awards earned (Science Fair, 4H, Etc.)

List any service work to your community at large, church, etc. Please list the total hours you spent on each service activity. You may use additional paper if needed.

Scholarship

This section is to be completed by applicant's school principal, counselor, or coach.

Important: This information may be made available to the applicant upon request.

1. Applicant ranks _____ in a class of _____ students.
2. Applicant's High School GPA is _____
3. Does your school offer weighted classes for honors courses or AP courses? Yes No
If yes, please describe how classes are weighted.

4. This student-athlete will graduate (has graduated) Month _____ Year _____
5. A separate transcript (including all test scores) has been included and notarized by a school official?
Yes No
6. Describe any extenuating circumstances influencing the applicant's high school records or test scores. (This is a request for descriptive information, not a recommendation.)

7. Is this student-athlete from a disadvantaged background or environment? If yes, please explain.

8. Signature of Preparer _____ Date _____
9. Position _____ Phone _____

Application

I hereby apply for the Yunker Memorial Scholarship for the academic year: _____

I will be attending: _____
(College or University)

Please indicate the course of study you are considering:

- Arts/Science
- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Technical Training

Intended Major: _____

The foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____