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Dear High School Principals and Counselors:

The Pikes Peak School & Public Employees Retirement Association (PPSPERA) has established two scholarships honoring distinguished local educators Wayne Bricker and Bill Brandenburg. These scholarships will be awarded each spring to two graduating public high school seniors who plan to enter the education or public service fields. The scholarships are \$2,000 each. Any student graduating from a public high school in El Paso or Teller County this spring is eligible. PPSPERA has initiated these scholarships to encourage enthusiastic young people who plan to enter the education or public service professions.

Enclosed is a copy of the scholarship application with a list of requirements and an information sheet. Please make additional copies as needed and share this information with the entire counseling staff. The scholarship application and information may also be found on our website at PPSPERA.org.

Applications must be received no later than **MARCH 25, 2021**. Applications may be mailed by the student or by the school to PPSPERA Scholarship Committee, c/o Charlotte Brummer, 411 Lakewood Cr. A706, Colorado Springs, CO 80910. Recipients will be notified by the end of April and may be mailed to recipient due to pandemic restrictions.

For more information call Charlotte Brummer at 637-8405, Barbara Watt at 548-1390, or Nola Thomasson at 375-4432.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Nola M. Thomasson

Nola Thomasson
Scholarship Committee Member
Pikes Peak School & Public Employees Retirement Association

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET

These scholarships honor distinguished local educators Wayne Bricker and Bill Brandenburg.

The purpose of these scholarships is to assist students who aspire to enter the education or public service professions.

Two \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded.
There will be an opportunity to apply for renewal of \$1,000 for the second year.

CRITERIA TO BE USED IN SELECTING WINNERS

- Each applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from a public high school in El Paso or Teller County.
- Each applicant must give evidence of intent to pursue a full-time identifiable course of study at an accredited college or university which will lead the student into a career in education or public service.
- A successful applicant will show evidence of interest in working with children based upon activities, interests, citizenship, service, and grades achieved during the high school career.
- When awarding the scholarships, no preference will be exercised for any applicant based upon gender, race, religious affiliation, family status, or public school of attendance.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION

Each applicant will be expected to submit a completed application form and required paperwork to be received by the scholarship committee no later than **MARCH 25, 2021**. Please mail your application package to PPSPERA Scholarship Committee, c/o Charlotte Brummer, 411 Lakewood Cr. A706, Colorado Springs, CO 80910.

THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WILL BE SELECTED AND NOTIFIED NO LATER THAN APRIL 9, 2021.

The scholarships will be awarded by the end of April and may be mailed to recipients due to pandemic restrictions.



2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Honoring Wayne Bricker and Bill Brandenburg

Applicant's Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone(s) _____ Email _____

Name(s) of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Name of High School _____

Counselor's Name _____ Rank in Class _____ of _____

School Offices Held _____

Extracurricular Activities (School or Community) _____

Have you taken the ACT? _____ If so, your composite score _____

Have you taken the SAT? _____ Verbal Score _____ Math Score _____

Which colleges and universities have accepted your application? _____

Which do you plan to attend? _____

What is the specific area of study which you would like to pursue? _____

After giving the information above, you are asked to provide the following:

- **Your transcript, complete through the end of the first semester of your senior year.**
- **An essay about yourself, your family, your interests, your experiences working with children and how you became interested in the field of education or public service. Include your name on each page. Please write 600 to 1,200 words in size 12 or larger font.**
- **Reference letters from at least one teacher and one other person (not a relative), both of whom are aware of and can speak to your specific educational goals.**

This application must be received NO LATER THAN MARCH 25, 2021, by The Scholarship Committee, c/o Charlotte Brummer, 411 Lakewood Dr. A706, Colorado Springs, CO 80910.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____