

GLEN OAKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

JESSIE ALICE RAY GENERAL STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

(Endowed)

Background:

Jessie Alice Ray created this Fund by establishing a Charitable Remainder Trust in her sister Bernice Teal's name, and upon Bernice's death December 16, 2003, the remainder was donated to the Glen Oaks Community College Foundation to establish the **Jessie Alice Ray General Studies Scholarship**.

Jessie Alice Ray had been a long-time resident of Three Rivers and a teacher at Centreville Elementary School. After her retirement from teaching, she began working in the Academic Opportunity Center at Glen Oaks Community College in December 1984. She had been a staff member until shortly before her death in July of 1997.

Mrs. Ray was a very generous woman, leaving the majority of her estate to Glen Oaks Community College Foundation to be used for scholarships. Mrs. Ray loved students and teaching, and she demonstrated that commitment by creating this scholarship fund for general studies students.

Eligibility:

- Students must pursue an Associate General Studies Degree or an Associate of Science Degree
- Students must be enrolled in at least 6 credit hours or more
- New students must have a 2.5 G.P.A. minimum in high school
- Returning GOCC students must have a 2.50 G.P.A.
- Must be a St. Joseph County resident

Preference:

- Full-time student (12 credit hours or more)

Selection Criteria:

- Financial circumstances, academic ability, and career goals will be taken in consideration in selecting the recipients
- Consideration will be given to recommendations from faculty and high school staff

Maintenance Criteria:

- The recipients of the Jessie Alice Ray General Studies Scholarship will be expected to maintain a semester GPA of at least 2.50 while receiving the scholarship.

Selection Process:

- Students will be selected by the scholarship committee based upon the above criteria.

Use:

- The scholarship may be applied to all education related expenses.

Amount and Number of Awards:

- If possible, a minimum of two students will be awarded \$1,000 per year (at full-time) provided the principal is not utilized. The scholarship committee will make final determination of the number and amount awarded based on the availability of funds.

Prior Recipients:

- Prior recipients may reapply, if eligible.

Disbursements:

The Office of Financial Aid will disburse the scholarship according to the standard school policy.

If, at any time, the College Foundation policies and procedures in effect for the administration of award and scholarship funds are changed, these provisions are automatically modified to conform.

Whenever it appears that changing conditions make this plan no longer applicable, practical, or suited to the general purposes stated above, the College Foundation would confer with the donor or their representative to secure a modification of the plan. If the Foundation is unable to locate the donor or their representative after reasonable efforts, then the Foundation is authorized to utilize the fund for any other suitable educational purpose, so that the fund will provide the maximum service to the community through the advancement of higher education.

Glen Oaks Community College Foundation Board approved October 6, 2004.

Date

Signature of Donor/Representative

Date

Signature of Glen Oaks Community College
Foundation Representative