



## E.E. Simonson Memorial Business and Public Service Scholarship

*(PLEASE ATTACH THIS SHEET AS THE COVER TO YOUR APPLICATION.)*

*(Please submit printed single sided and no staples.)*

### \$1,000 Award

This scholarship was established in memory of Edward E. Simonson to commemorate his vision, patronage, stewardship, and contributions to the commonweal of the Fargo community. Edward was born in Finley, ND, as a first generation American to Norwegian immigrants. After completing an 8<sup>th</sup> grade education and serving in World War I, he moved to Fargo and worked his way through the Fargo Business College. Following graduation, he worked at several local businesses and eventually became CEO of a regional manufacturing business.

Over the course of decades, he successfully grew the business, employed hundreds of individuals, and left a generational legacy for dozens of families. Additionally, over the course of his lifetime, he served in various capacities on many State and local businesses and civic organizations, which included: Director of the Board First International Bank and Trust, Member of the ND House of Representatives, President of the Greater North Dakota Association, member of the Fargo Chamber of Commerce, Chairman of the North Dakota Cancer Fund Campaign.

This scholarship is to be awarded annually using the below criteria. Applications will be **reviewed by the FARGO SOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE AND/OR ACADEMIC GUIDANCE COUNSELORS** with knowledge of the student's performance, extra-curricular activities, and personal merit.

### General Scholarship Requirements

- Graduating senior from South High School;
- Priority is to be given to applicants who are first-generation U.S. citizens;
- Has maintained a cumulative 3.0 GPA or better;
- Applicant must demonstrate and interest in an entrepreneurial, business, or public service field;
- Intends to pursue a business-related or public service education program at a 4-year post-secondary institution;
- **Barring any unforeseen circumstances the applicant/recipient must be present at the scholarship award ceremony.**

Overall GPA:

Verified Counselor or Registrar

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*First*

*Last*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Address*

*Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*State*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*ZIP Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Not School Email)*

**Applications Due March 31<sup>st</sup>**

*If the 31<sup>st</sup> falls on a Saturday or Sunday, applications will be due the following Monday.*

**Return completed application to the Counseling Department**

For more information or questions contact the Fargo Public Schools Foundation at 701-446-1041 or [fpsfound@fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:fpsfound@fargo.k12.nd.us)



**Application Information** – Please list and answer on a separate sheet.

1. Please include a short autobiography, 150 words or less.
2. List all academic and extracurricular activities you are involved in.

**Essay Questions** – Please answer on a separate sheet, 2-3 pages.

1. Provide an example of an entrepreneurial, business, or public service project you have been involved with.
2. Explain what your involvement in the above activity has taught you.
3. Explain how your chosen post-secondary institution will help you obtain your career objectives.

**Letter of Recommendation** – Please include one letter of recommendation from a teacher or academic/career counselor who has worked with you in class or as a counselor for at least half a year during your junior or senior year.

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