Napa Valley Community FOUNDATION

JUDITH B. CUTCOMB SCHOLARSHIP 2021 Guidelines

The Judith B. Cutcomb Scholarship is offered by CalRTA Napa Valley and administered by Napa Valley Community Foundation. It is awarded in memory of Judith B. Cutcomb, a St. Helena educator. The Cutcomb Scholarship supports current St. Helena Unified School District teachers who are continuing their education or graduates of St. Helena High School studying to be educators.

Award Amount: \$1,000

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MARCH 8, 2021

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

- All Applicants must be
 - Teachers/educators currently working in the St. Helena Unified School District, with a California teaching credential or certificate who are continuing their education
 OR
 - A graduate of St. Helena High School having completed the second year of college in a pre-education field, but not necessarily employed by the St. Helena Unified School District.
- Applicants must be planning to enroll in education or pre-education coursework at the university level

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION: Through an online application and an interview, candidates will be judged on the following criteria:

- 1. Timely and full completion of the written application.
- 2. Strong rationale for requesting the scholarship (in cover letter).
- 3. Long-range goals and time line for their achievement (in cover letter).
- 4. Potential for the funds being used to maximize educational benefit to the students and staff of Napa Valley schools (in cover letter).
- 5. Your perspective on the current field of education, including its challenges.
- 6. Effective personal and communication skills, both written (in cover letter) and oral (during interview)

Please Note: Awarded scholarships must be used between June 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 and may not be used to reimburse the recipient for tuition or fees already paid

HOW TO APPLY

Complete an online application at https://napavalleycf.awardspring.com/

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS:

- Candidates whose applications successfully pass through the preliminary screening will be invited to an interview to be held on **April 15, 2021**. Please indicate a time preference from among the choices on the application.
- Scholarship awardees are invited to the May 18, 2021 luncheon of the Napa Valley Retired Teachers Association. The luncheon meeting is held at the Elk's Club in Napa.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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