



Billy Coplen Memorial Scout Scholarship

2024 Application

Award: \$3,160



This scholarship was established by the Coplen family to honor the life of Billy Coplen and to continue his legacy of integrity, generosity, and service. Billy's priority was spending time with his family especially enjoying his children's involvement in scouts. He enjoyed spending time as a scout leader during weekend campouts, summer/winter camp, and other scout activities. Scouting provided lasting friendships and treasured time with his family. This scholarship is designed to recognize a deserving Scout who exemplifies the highest ideals of Scouting. Throughout his courageous battle with cancer, Billy never lost his faith, sense of humor, or his love for his family. The scholarship amount reflects his faith & the truth that gave him the strength to live his life to the fullest.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life."

Requirements:

- Candidates must have earned the Eagle Scout Award or Girl Scout Gold Award.
- Be a current registered member of an Ennis BSA or Girl Scout Troop.
- Be a graduating high school senior (preference given to EHS seniors).
- Scholarship winner must be enrolled full-time during the 2024-2025 academic year at an accredited college/university, trade school or military commitment.

Checklist:

1. Complete application.
2. Include three (3) signed letters of recommendation (excluding relatives):
 - a. One letter from your Scout Leader
 - b. One from your school (teacher, coach, counselor, principal)
 - c. One letter from your pastor/priest/youth minister or community member.
3. Include an acceptance letter from an accredited institution of higher learning, if already accepted.
4. Include a copy of your completed paperwork for Eagle Scout or Girl Scout Gold Award.
5. Attach your resume to this application. List dates for each rank earned as well as all camps attended. Include any awards/recognitions you may have received. List any other organizations, activities, positions held, length of service, awards received or any other information that you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider.
6. Submit a 300-400 word essay describing how your experience in Scouting has impacted your life.
7. Submit the completed application to Mrs. Jaime Regas no later than 1 April 2024.



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Scout's Name _____

Troop # _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Scout's Phone Number:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Name of academic institution at which you have been accepted:

Proposed field of study: _____

Note: On a separate piece of paper, please answer these 2 questions.

- 1) Why should you be selected as a recipient of the Billy Coplen Memorial Scholarship?

- 2) Briefly describe your Eagle Scout or Girl Scout Gold Award project.

I understand the requirements and affirm that the information I am providing is true. I believe that my actions and character are deserving of being considered for this award. Scholarship will be announced at the EHS Awards Ceremony. Scholarship will be paid out directly to recipient in two equal payments: Fall Semester - upon proof of registration; Spring Semester – submit spring registration to Mrs. Regas with your grade report from the fall semester or directly to Maria Coplen. You must maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA to receive the spring payment.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____