

**Derby Community Foundation
Steve and Leanne Caret Scholarship
Guidelines and Application Form**

Application Deadline - March 31
(Must be postmarked by March 31)

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Preferred Phone _____

Email _____ Course of study _____

School you will be attending next fall _____

About Steve and Leanne Caret

Steve and Leanne Caret are both graduates of the Derby school system. Steve graduated from Derby High School in 1983 and Leanne in 1984. They met while attending Derby High School. Steve attended Wichita State University for his bachelor's degree and Baker University for his master's degree. Leanne attended Kansas State University for her bachelor's degree and Wichita State University for her master's degree. Though they are not current Derby residents, they both remain extremely proud and thankful of the Derby Community. They are honored to provide support to the students of Derby USD 260.

About the Derby Community Foundation

The mission of the Derby Community Foundation is to enrich the quality of life in the Derby area by being a catalyst for connecting people and resources with community needs and initiatives.

Scholarship Award

The Steve and Leanne Caret Scholarship shall be awarded during the annual Derby Community Foundation Scholarship Reception in the spring of the year. The scholarship amount to be awarded will be \$2,500 and must be applied toward the student's fees, tuition, textbooks and housing costs for an accredited college or university in Kansas. The intent is to award two scholarships each year: one for a male and one for a female. The scholarship is renewable for 3 years (\$2,500 each year) if recipient meets the requirements set forth in the Student Eligibility section of this application.

Selection Committee and Process

The Steve and Leanne Caret Scholarship Selection Committee is comprised of a representative selected by the Caret Family and 2 members selected by the Derby Community Foundation. The Executive Director of the Derby Community Foundation serves as an ex-officio member of the committee. Chris Showalter, retired USD 260 school teacher and Caret Family representative, will serve as the chair of the scholarship selection committee. Chris Showalter shall have the authority to grant exceptions to the requirements for the scholarships, as deemed in her best judgment.

Student Eligibility

The Steve and Leanne Caret Scholarship will be awarded to USD 260 graduating seniors (or juniors, if eligible) who have demonstrated a willingness to put their best efforts forward and have shown integrity in their academic activities and community engagement. Selection of

recipients will be made without regard to race, color, sex, religion, sexual orientation, or national origin. The student must have a cumulative high school grade point average of 3.0, must have held a job (no restrictions on type) during junior and senior years of high school, and must have participated in extracurricular activities. To be eligible for renewal of this scholarship, recipients must have a 2.75 cumulative college GPA; be enrolled full-time; and have declared a major. Recipients must annually complete a scholarship renewal form and return by March 31 (available on Derby Community Foundation website).

Application Requirements

The application form must be typed and submitted in one envelope with the following: certified copy of the most recent high school transcript; letter of support from a teacher, administrator, employer or other adult (who is not a family member) explaining why he/she feels you are qualified to receive this scholarship.

**Send to: Derby Community Foundation
Steve and Leanne Caret Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 372
Derby, KS 67037**

Questions? Call the Derby Community Foundation at 316/788-9815 or email at admin@derbycf.org

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Applications must be typed.

List your work experience, community involvement and/or extra-curricular activities:

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability. We are interested in your thinking and in your ability to express yourself.

What does “hard work and integrity” mean to you?

Why is “community engagement” important to you?

What are your plans for post-secondary study and for the years following?

