



St. Vrain Valley Schools EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Scholarship Name: Margaret Olson Memorial Scholarship

Award: One (1) award of \$500

Background: Margaret Olson was a dignified, well-educated and gracious lady in her demeanor and background. A Mead High School valedictorian and graduate of the class of 1935, she was awarded a scholarship to the University of Colorado in Boulder. Margaret was well liked by all who knew her. She found many outlets for her creativity which included painting, knitting and writing poetry. Her involvement in numerous organizations and activities in our area was the result of her generous nature. Her family is honored to present this scholarship opportunity to a young woman in her memory.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be a high school senior at Mead High School.
- Be planning to enroll as a full-time student at an accredited **two-year or four-year college, university or trade school** beginning the fall of 2023.
- Be planning to attend a college, university or trade school located in Colorado.
- Have a 2.5 grade point average or higher.
- Be a female student.

Application Process:

Step 1: Complete the online scholarship application on the St. Vrain Valley Schools Education Foundation website (www.stvrainfoundation.org). You will be required to submit the following information:

- **Application Information** to include name, address, phone number, email address, high school, GPA, high school transcript, graduation date and name of college, university or trade school the student will be attending.
- **Financial Need** including the EFC from the FAFSA, the FAFSA SAR report and/or one – two paragraphs explaining the students financial aid situation or financial need.
- **Volunteer and Community Service**
- **High School Honors and Awards**
- **High School Activities**
- **Leadership Positions**
- **Paid Work Experience** (if applicable)
- **Letters of Recommendation** to include one from a teacher, administrator or counselor and one from a community member who is not a family member.

Step 2: Complete the Margaret Olson Memorial Scholarship application via SVVSEF scholarship platform on Kaleidoscope.

- **Personal Essay** that is 500 words or less. This is your opportunity to tell the selection committee about yourself. The essay should explain your goals for the future, how being awarded this scholarship will help you attain those goals and how the opportunity to further your education will enhance your life in the future. Share any other information about yourself or special circumstances the selection committee should be aware of.