



## St. Vrain Valley Schools EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**Scholarship Name:** Pearl Above All Scholarship

**Award:** Two (2) awards of \$500 each

**Background:** Pearl is a local organization that focuses on providing single parent families the hope and skills necessary to build an economically and emotionally stable home environment through sustainable programs. This scholarship is expected to provide children, of single parents, the opportunity to obtain a college education and understanding of sustainable life skills that will provide long-term stability. To learn more about Pearl please visit [www.pearlpromise.org](http://www.pearlpromise.org).

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be a high school senior at a St. Vrain Valley Schools high school
- Be planning to enroll as a full-time student at an accredited **trade/vocational institution, two-year or four-year college/university** located in the United States, beginning the fall of 2023.
- Be the child of a single parent

### **Application Process:**

**Step 1:** Complete the online scholarship application on the St. Vrain Valley Schools Education Foundation website ([www.stvrainfoundation.org](http://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 one – two paragraphs explaining the students financial aid situation or financial need.
- **Volunteer and Community Service Record**
- **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 **Pearl Above All 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 factors that have helped you become the person you are today and where you are planning to go in the future. Your essay should describe your background and future plans. Be sure to include experience from your own life and how it has influenced who you are today; how growing up in a single parent home has influenced your future goals; why a college education is important to you; and why you are a good candidate for this scholarship.