

## Shawano Area Community Foundation Melvin Arthur Peters Memorial Scholarship Fund

### Background:

This scholarship was established in memory of Melvin “Mel” Arthur Peters to provide scholarships to graduates of Shawano County high school seniors. Mel grew up on a farm in Shawano. After leaving the family farm he started selling farm equipment, quickly moving to the trades. Mel built a business in Georgia doing steel fabrication and welding. Later, his business branched out to a crane and commercial sign company. Throughout his career, he remained self-taught picking up machining skills along the way. Towards the end of his career, Mel became an accomplished woodworker and logger. Mel was known for his appreciation of a good days’ work and for valuing learning the trades.



### Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Graduating seniors residing in Shawano County, attending one of the following high schools:
  - Bonduel High School
  - Bowler High School
  - Clintonville High School
  - Gresham High School
  - Pulaski High School
  - Shawano Community High School
  - Tigerton High School
  - Wolf River Lutheran High School
  - Wittenberg/Birnamwood High School
- Planning to attend any accredited technical school, trade/training program, or apprenticeship program that is qualified to receive charitable distributions
- Planning to pursue training/education in the trades (such as, but not limited to, carpentry, auto mechanics, construction, plumbing, electrician, heavy equipment operation, etc.) as a part-time or full-time student

### Award Amount:

Number and amount of awards may vary, for cost of attendance, payable during the first semester of the freshman year of college.

### Selection:

Recipients will be recommended each spring by the Community Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee.

### Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the [Scholarship Portal](https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar) (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar>). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents *as instructed* in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

### Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to register as a part-time or full-time student for the first semester of school or for the beginning of program/apprenticeship.

### Further Information:

- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
  - Website [www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/](http://www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/) / Email [scholarships@cffoxvalley.org](mailto:scholarships@cffoxvalley.org) / Phone 920.702.7629