

Patty & Mike Kneale Education Scholarship

Long-time educators Patty and Mike Kneale created this annual scholarship to invest in the students of Grand Island Public Schools. Mike, a former school superintendent, and Patty, a former teacher, believe strongly in public education as the foundation of the American Dream. The scholarship is a four-year award and will be given in the amount of \$5,000 (\$1,250 per year). The scholarship is intended for students who work hard and need the additional support to realize their college ambitions.

Eligibility

- Must be a graduate of Grand Island Senior High
- Must demonstrate ability to work hard for desired goals
- Must major in Education
- Must demonstrate financial need
- A high school GPA of 2.8 or better

Essay Question

- Write a short statement that answers the following questions:
 1. Explain your passion for education. Why do you want to become a teacher?
 2. What obstacles have you overcome to graduate? How?
 3. What circumstances describe your financial need? Do you have a financial plan for college?
 4. What are your future plans (college and beyond)?

To Apply

Complete the online application form at www.gips.org/foundation/scholarships

Selection Procedure

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship selection committee appointed by the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation.

Terms of Payment

The scholarship will be paid through the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation to an accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, or trade school. Payments of up to \$1,250 per year (\$625 per semester) will be made. Students, who remain in the field of Education and are in good standing, can renew the award for up to four years and the \$5,000 total. The student must provide proof of enrollment to the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation each semester. The student must maintain a post-secondary GPA of 2.75 each semester to continue the scholarship.

