

Dear Seward Business Owner,

Another class of Seward High School seniors is preparing to graduate and we have begun preparations for our May 18, 2021 graduation celebration! The ***Seward High School Businesses Scholarship*** offers Seward area businesses and individuals the opportunity to combine resources and create a solid financial boost to deserving seniors.

We invite your business to donate to the Seward Businesses Scholarship. Your tax-deductible contribution, at \$25 or above, will be pooled with other donations and awarded as determined by the scholarship committee. Additionally, your contribution will be publicly recognized in the local media, at our awards assembly and in our graduation program.

If you are interested in donating \$500 or more, we also have *individual business scholarships*. This may be handled in one of two ways. First, you can do a scholarship on your own. You would provide us with an application that we would make available to our seniors. We would give to you any applications that have been completed. Please make due dates no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>. *You would be responsible for distributing the funds yourself.*

The other alternative is to make a donation directly to the High School's scholarship fund. Again, you would provide us with an application or we can use our common scholarship application. These scholarships are awarded through our scholarship committee and the funds are distributed by the school. According to our scholarship fund reporting requirements, donors to a scholarship can comprise only 1/3 of the scholarship selection committee and that committee member may not be related to the recipient(s) of the scholarship. Our selection committee includes the school's counselor, a secretary, a teacher, and a parent plus one community member from the donating business. We certainly encourage you to have a representative join the selection committee for your individual business scholarship. If you would like to participate, there is a Committee Nomination Form that must be completed before the selection process takes place. Please let me know and I will get the form to you.

In addition to our 2021 business scholarships, Seward High School also has a scholarship endowment fund with the Seward Community Foundation/ACF. All donations made to this fund remain there in perpetuity having only the earnings distributed annually. Special recognition will be made to those who donate to the endowment. Donations may be made online at [www.sewardcf.org](http://www.sewardcf.org).

We know that some students could not continue their education without your support. Thank you for considering a contribution to our graduating seniors! Donations should be made out to Seward High School and received by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 224-9060.

Sincerely,

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