

# HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

## Donald J. Kearns Scholarship

### General Instructions & Eligibility Criteria

- In order to be considered for the Donald J. Kearns Scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

#### **Current HPU Students**

1. Declared major in elementary education
  2. Rising sophomore, junior or senior admitted to the Teacher Education Program preferred
  3. NC resident
  4. Demonstrated financial need
  5. Minimum GPA of 3.0
  6. One professional letter of recommendation from a professor who can attest to the character, commitment, and academic merit of the applicant. This letter should accompany the application packet in a sealed envelope.
  7. Applicants must complete a mandatory 500-700 word essay to a designated prompt (included in the application).
- Applicants must demonstrate successful progression in the teacher education program in order to apply. In order to be eligible during the senior year, applicants must complete the full-time (8 credit) student teaching internship.
  - All applicants must submit an updated official transcript to verify their GPA.

**THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION BY THE DUE DATE INDICATED ON THE SOE WEBSITE. (ATTN.: DR. TILLERY) IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AN ACADEMIC AWARD.**

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## DONALD J. KEARNS SCHOLARSHIP

ACADEMIC YEAR APPLYING FOR:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary Education	Date:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Male	Student ID:
Current Classification:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Rising Sophomore	<input type="checkbox"/> Rising Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Rising Senior
Current Status:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Evening Degree	

Full Legal Name				
	Last	First	Middle	Maiden/Former
	Street/PO Box		County	Country
	Permanent Address			
	City	State	Zip Code	
University Address (if applicable)				
	Residence Hall or Other		Campus Box	
Academic Advisor		Telephone	- -	- -
			Day	Evening
Email				
	HPU		Other	

In the space below, provide a description of any current or recent activities/organizations you are involved with at either institution (HPU or PBC). Specifically highlight those that are related to the field of education, working with children, or teaching.

Organization	Description (Be as specific as possible)	Date of Involvement
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**Employment History: (Begin with the most recent):**

Employer/LEA	Responsibilities	Length of Employment

Essay: In the space below please respond with a **one page double-spaced essay (not to exceed 500-700 words in length)** to the following prompt:

Given the current economic times we have heard many stories of teachers being laid off and class sizes being increased to accommodate these lay-offs. What is your opinion of this practice and what alternatives would you recommend for school districts that are suffering from budget deficits?

I hereby attest that all information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

*Please send your completed application packet to:*

*Dr. Mariann Tillery  
Dean, School of Education  
High Point University  
One University Parkway  
High Point, N.C. 27268*

***SEE THE SOE WEBSITE FOR DUE DATE***

**Have you included the following in your application packet?**

- ✓ **Application**
- ✓ **Signature at the end of the application**
- ✓ **Letter of Recommendation in a sealed envelope**
- ✓ **Official Transcript**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Transcript: \_\_\_\_\_

Activities/Honors: \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: \_\_\_\_\_