

UTAH SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION
LYNN JENSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION



Post Mark Deadline December 19, 2009

Full Name (please print) _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address _____
(Number & Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Home Telephone Number _____ Birthdate _____

High School: _____ Career Goal: _____

The Name of the school counselor you are honoring in your essay _____

The Counselor's school _____ Address: _____
(Street Number, City, and Zip Code)

Tribute to Dr. Lynn Jensen

Dr. Lynn Jensen worked valiantly in his thirty-year career at the Utah State Office of Education in school counseling, career and technical education, career development, and Utah's Career Resource Network. Dr. Jensen redefined the role of Utah School Counselors from a services orientation for some students to a comprehensive program model for all students.

Dr. Jensen initiated state-wide school counselor reform in the early 1980's. By 1998, counselors in nearly all secondary schools in Utah implemented the Gysbers' Missouri Model for Comprehensive Guidance initiated by Dr. Jensen. Guidance programs throughout the state met the stringent program standards required for this model. During this time, Dr. Jensen, school counseling practitioners, and Career and Technical Education leaders secured on-going funding from the Utah State Legislature to implement the reform and maintain continuing guidance program standards.

Dr. Jensen was passionate about students and the important role counselors had in serving all students. He worked diligently to assure that students had access to the information they needed about school and work. His vision and efforts provided the tools and services needed for students to make informed choices and decisions about their future. Dr. Jensen was a significant mentor to many. He believed in counselors, he had high expectations for them, and he helped set the stage for amazing, once in a lifetime opportunities in school counseling and guidance for professional school counselors.

Dr. Lynn Jensen passed away peacefully in June 2006 after a valiant two and a half year battle with cancer.

General Information

- Applicants must be high school seniors who plan to become a school counselor or public education teacher for Grades K-12.
- The application and required attachments must be mailed together by the posted deadline.
- Scholarship monies will be given directly to the student.
- Scholarships are funded through the USCA's silent auction and through other USCA donations. The scholarship amount is \$500.
- Scholarship will be awarded during National School Counselor's Week during February, 2010.

Required Attachments and Parental Signature:

- Official copy of your most recent high school transcript.
- SAT or ACT scores.
- The Student Achievement Form.
- Two letters of recommendation written by those who are familiar with your career goals, your experience in the field of education, your success in school, and your personal character. Please *do not* include a letter from the counselor you are honoring in the essay portion of this application. Letters from family members will not be considered.
- Write an essay about a **school counselor** who has had a positive effect/influence on you and your school success. The essay must be double spaced and not more than two pages. **On the front page of the essay, please include: (1) your name, (2) the name of the school counselor you are honoring and (3) a current address for that counselor.** A copy of your essay will be mailed to your honored counselor in celebration of *National School Counselor's Week*.
- A photograph.
Your photograph may be used for publicity purposes and will be shared with the school counselor you have honored in your essay.
- Student Personal Information and Photography Release.

Personal Information and Photography Release:

As parent/guardian of _____, I hereby grant permission for my student to be included in media coverage for the USCA – Lynn Jensen Memorial Scholarship. I authorize Utah School Counselor's Association (USCA) to publish my student's name, photograph, achievements, and excerpts from their essay on the USCA web page and in the USCA publication, *Utah School Counselor*.

I hereby release Utah School Counselor's Association (and its officers and members) from any liability associated with the web page and media coverage stated above.

Parent Signature

Student Signature

Date

Submit application and attachments to:

The Utah School Counselor Association
Attn: Melissa McAllister
West Point Junior High School
2775 W. 550 N.
West Point, Utah 84015

Student Achievements (Please print or type)

Name _____ School _____

College of Choice _____ Career Goal: _____

List organizations / clubs / teams in which you have belonged.

List any awards / recognition you have received.

List volunteer community activities in which you have participated.

List your experience and preparation for becoming a counselor/teacher.

Why are you interested in becoming a counselor / teacher?

School Counselor's or School Official's Signature _____