

ESEYC Seeking Applicants for
Education Scholarships

PRESCOTT -- Yavapai County residents interested in pursuing education degrees are eligible to apply for one of several \$1,500 or more scholarships from the Education Scholarship Endowment-Yavapai County (ESEYC).

Written applications must be filed no later than Friday, March 6. Applications are available online at www.education-scholarships-yavapai.org or by contacting the ESEYC office at 928 442-5139.

Those eligible to apply must be Yavapai County residents who have graduated from an accredited high school in the county. Applicants must have no less than a 3.0 high school or college /university grade point average, and must be committed to teaching in any of the grades K-12, preferably in Yavapai County.

In announcing scholarship availability, Robert St. Clair, ESEYC board president said, "This is the seventeenth year the ESEYC has offered financial support to students who have been accepted in teacher education programs. Our organization has contributed almost \$250,000 to help aspiring teachers. So far, over the years, we have given scholarships to 139 persons." In addition, the ESEYC will administer a \$1,500 scholarship funded by the Prescott Sunrise Lions Club. It is intended for a prospective teacher who meets at least one of these criteria: has a visual or auditory disability; or will teach students who have visual, auditory or physical disabilities.

Still another category is offered for currently employed Yavapai County teachers who are seeking additional discipline certification or endorsement in order to sustain their employment in teaching. Such applicants must provide a written statement that documents additional higher education is necessary in order for them to keep a job.

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Recipients will be recognized publicly at a 4 p.m. reception on Friday, April 21, at the Hassayampa Inn.

The ESEYC is a non-profit organization administered by a volunteer board of directors representative of various county communities.

It was founded by the late Gladys Gardner, a former teacher who later became an Arizona legislator and ultimately, Yavapai County supervisor.