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**ATTENTION: High School Counselors or Principals**

**RE: Scholarship Information**

The Board of Directors of Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company has established a scholarship program to assist students in furthering their post-high school education. Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company is offering two scholarships of \$500 each.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- a.) Student must be a graduating high school senior.
- b.) The student's parent(s) must have an insurance policy in effect with Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company at the time of the scholarship application.
- c.) Student will be attending a college, university or vocational/technical school and majoring in a two, three or four-year curriculum.
- d.) Interested students must complete the scholarship application form and forward it to the company office.

The two \$500 scholarships will be paid to the recipients at the beginning of his or her second semester/quarter of school. Failure to begin the second semester/quarter of studies will result in forfeiture of the scholarship. The announcement of the scholarship winner will be made at the respective school's Scholarship/Awards Ceremony.

The selection process will begin after the application deadline of February 15, 2023. The field of applicants will be narrowed down to five finalists. The selection will be made by the Scholarship Committee, which consists of four board members and the company manager.

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During the selection process the Committee will not necessarily be looking just for the "straight-A" student. Strong consideration will be given towards student effort even though the student may only be getting B's and/or C's.

The Board of Directors of Agassiz & Odessa Mutual has made this an annual scholarship program. We would appreciate any recommendations that you may have to offer that might improve this program.

All students who are eligible for the Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company Scholarship are also eligible for the Minnesota Association of Farm Mutual Insurance Companies (MAFMIC) Scholarship and must complete a separate application following the guidelines for that program and submit the application to our office. A copy of that application and guidelines is also attached.

The following schools are receiving a copy of this letter along with the Scholarship Application form. Please feel free to make as many copies of the application form as may be needed.

Ortonville High School	Yellow Medicine East High School
Wheaton High School	Lac qui Parle Valley High School
Morris High School	Clinton/Graceville/Beardsley High School
Montevideo High School	KMS High School
Benson High School	Chokio/Alberta High School
Hancock High School	Dawson/Boyd High School
Canby High School	Minnewaska High School
MACCRAY High School	Herman/Norcross High School

Thank you for your support of this scholarship program.

Sincerely,



Laurie Wellnitz, Manager  
Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Ins. Co.

**AGASSIZ & ODESSA MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Scholastic Standing: Class Size \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Scholastic Verification: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Guidance Counselor or Principal's Signature)

**\*\*\* Please attach a copy of your High School transcript to application \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Please attach at least one letter of recommendation\*\*\*** The letter(s) should be from someone outside of your immediate family.

SCHOLARSHIP HISTORY: Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company has offered two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors since 1993. These two scholarships have been established to assist our policyholder students in furthering their education.

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b.) The student's parent(s) must have an insurance policy in effect with Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Insurance Company at the time of the scholarship application.

c.) Interested seniors must complete the scholarship application form and forward it to the Company office.

List extra-curricular activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe future education plans, including planned course of study, college you plan to attend, etc.

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Explain career goals, including reasons why you have selected this career:

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Write a "brief" biography about yourself: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or deliver this completed application to:

Agassiz & Odessa Mutual Ins. Co.  
ATTN: Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 98  
Odessa, MN 56276-0098

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** All applications must be received in the Company office by 4:30 P.M. on Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Applications received after this time will not be considered!

Only the finalists will be notified. We thank you for taking the time to apply for these two scholarships and we wish you every success in your future endeavors.