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For Immediate Release:

### APPLICATION DEADLINE DRAWS NEAR FOR EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS AT EIU

CHARLESTON -- Education majors at Eastern Illinois University may apply this spring for 21 scholarships collectively worth more than \$20,000.

The scholarships are to be awarded to students in EIU's Department of Early Childhood, Elementary and Middle Level Education.

The deadline for submission of applications is 4 p.m. March 4. Recipients will be honored at a ceremony on April 29.

Application forms are available on campus in the Early Childhood, Elementary and Middle Level Education Office, Buzzard Hall, Room 2220, and online at <a href="https://www.eiu.edu/~eemedu.">www.eiu.edu/~eemedu.</a>

Available scholarships and their requirements are listed below. Class status (freshman, etc.) refers to a student's status as of December 2004.

For information, call 581-5728 or e-mail cfdic@eiu.edu.

- The Carol Schnick Coyle Scholarship, \$620, is awarded to a full-time elementary education major with a 3.0 grade point average. Financial need is a consideration.
- The Nelle C. Hutchason Scholarship, \$310, is awarded to an elementary education major who is dedicated to teaching and has high spiritual values. Financial need is considered.
- The **Minnie Alice Phillips Scholarship**, \$450, is awarded to a junior early childhood or elementary education major who plans to teach kindergarten through fourth grades.
- The Reading Council Scholarship, \$200, is awarded to a junior or senior early childhood, elementary or middle level education major who is dedicated to teaching and has demonstrated outstanding character. The recipient must show financial need, have a GPA of at least 3.0, be a member of the council and be present to receive the award at the Reading Council meeting.

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- The **Telefund Scholarships**, two awards of \$500 each, are awarded to junior early childhood, elementary and middle level education majors with a GPA of at least 3.0. Financial need must be shown.
- The Errett and Mazie Warner Scholarships, two awards of \$880 each, are awarded to
  junior or senior elementary or middle level education majors who demonstrate
  outstanding character and who hold a GPA of at least 3.0. Financial need is considered.
- The Mary K. Moore Scholarship, \$440, is awarded to an early childhood education major who demonstrates good character and has proven outstanding academic achievement.
- The Ronald A. Wilson Scholarship, \$680, is awarded to an early childhood, elementary
  or middle level education major who resides in Illinois.
- The Waunetah D. Buckler Scholarship, \$4,599, is awarded to a full-time freshman
  elementary education major. Academic performance and/or financial need are primary
  considerations. The recipient will receive the award in three equal installments in the fall
  of his/her sophomore, junior and senior years; good academic standing is required each
  year.
- The Mary Lou Gaskill Scholarship, \$260, is awarded to a junior or senior early childhood, elementary or middle level education major with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Financial need is a consideration.
- The John Kelley Scholarship, \$280, is awarded to a full-time freshman elementary education major with a GPA of at least 2.0 and who plans to teach art. Financial need must be shown.
- The Joseph E. and Gloria S. Seiler Scholarship, \$228, is awarded to a sophomore, junior or senior early childhood, elementary or middle level education major with a GPA of at least 2.75. Evidence of community or church volunteer work must be shown.
   Preference will be given to the child of a minister.

The following scholarships give preference to, or are limited to, residents of specific areas or graduates of specific schools.

- The Coles-Douglas Scholarship, \$690, is awarded to an elementary education major, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher, who is a resident of Coles or Douglas counties.
- The Martha and Vernice Clark Scholarship, \$1,300, is awarded to a full-time sophomore, junior or senior elementary education major who resides in <u>Crawford County</u>.
- The Ellen Cutright Decker Scholarship, \$600, is awarded to a junior elementary
  education major who is a resident of the <u>Cumberland or Casey-Westfield high school</u>
  districts.

- The Thomas and Gail Higgins Scholarship, \$540, is awarded to a junior elementary or middle level education major who is a graduate of Charleston High School.
- The Lottie Leach Leeds Scholarship, \$1,030, is awarded to a junior early childhood/elementary education major, dedicated to teaching kindergarten through fourth grade, and who has demonstrated outstanding character and conduct. The recipient must be an Illinois resident. Financial need is a consideration.
- The William and Waneta Sedgwick Catey Scholarships, two awards of \$530 each, are awarded to junior or senior early childhood, elementary or middle level education majors with a GPA of at least 3.0. Each recipient must be a graduate of <u>Cumberland or Clark County high schools</u>; preference will be given to graduates of <u>Casey-Westfield High School</u>. Recipients must show financial need and evidence of community service or volunteer activities. A letter of recommendation supporting the moral character of the applicant must be submitted.
- The Charles and Barbara Clark Scholarship, \$1,240, is awarded to a full-time early
  education, elementary or middle level education major. Financial need is considered.
   Preference is given to graduates of <u>Decatur High School and then to students from</u>
   Macon County.
- The Bryan and Adra Heise Scholarship, \$1,250, is awarded to an early childhood, elementary or middle level education major. Financial need is considered. Preference is given to graduates of <u>Decatur High School and then to students from Macon County.</u>
- The Bertha G. Hoedebecke Scholarships, two awards of \$990 each, are awarded to a
  full-time elementary education major with a 3.0 or higher GPA. Preference is given first
  to graduates of Hillsboro Community High School and then to students from Montgomery
  County.

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