



# Alan R. Ryan Scholarship Application

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## Scholarship Description

The scholarship was established in 2013 by Alan and Margaret Ryan to provide tuition assistance during 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade to attend a Catholic high school within Kent County, Michigan. The goal of the scholarship program is to encourage academic accomplishment and community leadership. The scholarship is administered by the Grand Rapids Community Foundation.

## Scholarship Award

Recipients will receive financial assistance in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and upon acceptance to and entrance into Aquinas College for undergraduate studies, the scholarship will continue for a total of four years of undergraduate studies. Awards are generally \$2,000.

## Application and Selection Process

Applicants must:

- 1) Be completing 8<sup>th</sup> grade at a school located within Kent County Michigan
- 2) Be entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade at Catholic Central or West Catholic High Schools
- 3) Be a Kent County resident
- 4) Have an expressed intent to attend Aquinas College for post-secondary education
- 5) Demonstrate a B average or above academic record by providing their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade report cards
- 6) Complete an essay that includes the applicant's definition of leadership as part of the application form
- 7) Submit two recommendation letters (500 words or less), one being from a teacher
- 8) Provide Financial Information

## Application Instructions

Download Application under the "Additional Scholarships" section of the [Apply for Scholarships Tab](#) at [www.grfoundation.org](http://www.grfoundation.org) and submit by **March 1** to:

Grand Rapids Community Foundation, 185 Oakes SW, Grand Rapids MI 49503

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