



Dear Student/Staff Member:

The Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association is proud to offer two scholarship opportunities for the 2020-2021 academic year, the Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship and the David G. Cook Scholarship.

The **Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship Fund**, was developed in 2016 to honor the Home Builders Association of Fond du Lac & Dodge Counties Executive Officer of 30 years, Joan M. Vande Castle. Joan made it her passion and dedicated her life to growing our Association. She and her husband, John (deceased), offered their home as the office and board room bringing those in the industry together for many years. Later, Joan led the members in the construction of the Rolling Meadows Drive building where the Association currently resides. Joan received numerous awards during her tenure, as she led a nationwide and statewide Executive Officer's Council. Our Association would not be where it is today had it not been for Joan. The Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship was created to honor her for all her efforts and achievements as our Executive Officer.

The **Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship (\$1,200 in scholarship awards)** is available to students who will have completed high school and are enrolled in a formal program of higher education or an Apprenticeship Program for the 2020-2021 academic year. Please note, students who are already enrolled in a formal higher education program may also apply. A minimum of one scholarship will be awarded in each of the two categories described below.

At least one scholarship will be awarded to a qualifying student(s) who is the son/daughter of a current Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association member business or the child of an employee of a member business. A student applying under this status must be enrolled in a formal program of higher education but is not required to enter a trades-related field.

Additionally, at least one scholarship will be awarded to a qualifying student(s) who resides in Fond du Lac, Dodge or Green Lake Counties. It will be awarded based on the information provided on their application and their intended participation in any one of the following fields relative to residential construction: Construction Management, Architecture, Building Trades (including qualified apprenticeship programs), Engineering (with an emphasis on construction trades), Interior Design, or other related field of study relative to residential construction.

The **David G. Cook Scholarship** was founded by David and Kathy Cook to promote the building industry in which they were successfully involved for 50 years. In 2017, David, who was a longtime member, past president and honorary lifetime member of the Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association, developed an illness which was later determined to be a terminal brain tumor. In honor of his involvement in the Association and his love for the outdoors, Dave and Kathy introduced the idea to the HBA Scholarship Committee that the current Association clay shoot be re-designated with the commitment to raise funds for scholarships relating to education in the building trades industry. The idea has been met with great success and resulted in the creation of the "David G. Cook Shooting for Scholarships" clay shoot and scholarship fund.

The **David G. Cook Scholarship (4 - \$1,000 awards)** is available to building and trades students who have already completed one year of secondary education and is not available to those currently enrolled in high school. The applicant must live or work in Fond du Lac, Dodge or Green Lake Counties.

Please complete the scholarship application and questions for the scholarship(s) you wish to apply for. Also, please include a copy of your most recent transcripts. Please note that these applications **do NOT require official transcripts**.

All applications must be postmarked by **Friday, May 1, 2020**. Scholarships will be awarded during the month of May. Should you have any questions regarding the application process, please call 920.922.9067 or email sarah@easternridgehba.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Dowidat".

Sarah Dowidat
Executive Director



*2020-2021
Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association
Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship Application*

Please complete the following:

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Mobile Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a child of a current member of the Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association?

Yes No If Yes, Business Name: _____

Children of all employees from member companies are eligible to apply.

High School/College currently attending: _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Year in School: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ High School Graduation Date: _____

College/Apprenticeship Planning to Attend 2020-2021: _____

Field of Study: _____

Have you received this scholarship before? If yes, when? _____

Please complete the entire application to be eligible for consideration.

Applicant Questions

Please complete on a separate sheet of paper in paragraph form.

1. Please explain the type of degree you will attain and the field you hope to enter upon graduation.
2. Why did you pick this field of study?
3. Explain all extracurricular activities you are presently in, or have been involved with in the past.
4. List all past and present work experience.
5. What are your interests/hobbies outside of school?
6. Please give a brief history of yourself and why we should select you for this scholarship.
7. **(If applicable)** Explain how your field of study relates to residential construction.

*Please submit your completed application, questions, unofficial transcript, and a letter of recommendation to the Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association by 5:00pm on **Friday, May 1, 2020.***

Please submit your application no later than **May 1, 2020 to:**

Eastern Ridge Home Builders Association

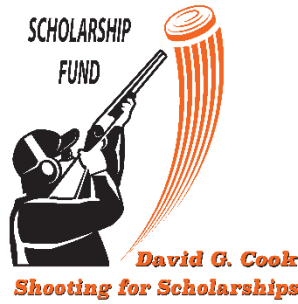
490 W. Rolling Meadows Drive, Suite B

Fond du Lac, WI 54937

P: 920.922.9067

E: Info@EasternRidgeHBA.org

The Education Committee has the authority to adjust the award amount based on the quantity and quality of the applicants. The Joan M. Vande Castle Scholarship can be earned a maximum of twice, per student. Scholarship monies can be applied toward tuition, books and other necessary school supplies (i.e. tools). Selected recipients who are entering the trades will be sent to the Wisconsin Builders Foundation for the opportunity to receive a matching scholarship grant.



2020-2021
David G. Cook Scholarship Application

The David G. Cook Scholarship is only available to post-secondary building and trades students who have already completed one-year of schooling and is not available to high school seniors.

Please complete the following:

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant must live or work in Fond du Lac, Dodge or Green Lake Counties.

Mobile Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

College/Technical School currently attending: _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Year in School: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ High School Graduation Date: _____

College/Apprenticeship Planning to Attend 2020-2021: _____

Field of Study: _____

Is your employer providing financial assistance for your education? ___ Yes ___ No

Have you received this scholarship before? If yes, when? _____

Please complete the entire application to be eligible for consideration.

Applicant Questions

Please complete on a separate sheet of paper in paragraph form.

1. Please explain the type of degree you will attain and the field you hope to enter upon graduation.
2. Why did you pick this field of study?
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4. List all past and present work experience.
5. What are your interests/hobbies outside of school?
6. Please give a brief history of yourself and why we should select you for this scholarship.
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