

Scholarship Abstract (revised 3.6.2023)

Title of Scholarship: *Eddie Kurtz Memorial Scholarship*

Contact: Mingus Connection

Description: One \$1000 scholarship award each year

Awarded to student(s) interested in pursuing higher education (in-state or out-of-state) at a Vocational School, Community College, and/or Apprentice Program.

Criteria:

- 1) Preference will be given to students demonstrating a sincere interest in vocational training, e.g., Electrical, Plumbing, HVAC, Welding, etc., as evidenced by activities referenced in their personal letter, and information provided in letters of recommendation.
- 2) Demonstrated Financial Need (results of FAFSA); single parent, large family, multiple family members in college, other circumstances.
- 3) Achievements; Minimum 2.5 GPA, strong work and/or extracurricular activities to include school clubs and sports; special consideration given to volunteer activities and community support.
- 4) Letters of recommendation from: 1) counselor/advisor; and 2) high school teacher; and 3) a representative from the organization/facility where the student engages in work/internship/club or volunteerism.

Note: Students receiving numerous other scholarships need not apply as donor wishes to increase opportunities for a broader population.

To Apply: MUHS Counseling Office/Website: Mingus Connection

- A. Submit Mingus Connection Scholarship Application,
- B. An essay describing, in your own words, your personal story, your interest in chosen field of study/work, and your ultimate goals (education, work, and personal);
- C. Letters of recommendation from:
 - 1) High School counselor/advisor; and
 - 2) High school teacher; and
 - 3) A representative from the organization/facility where the student engages in work/internship/club or volunteerism.
- D. Top five candidate packets will be forwarded to donor via Mingus Connection for final selection of scholarship recipients.

Deadline: Completed application due by March 27th.

Mingus Connection Scholarships – Steps to Apply

- 1) Listed below are all of the scholarships available from Mingus Connection. Check the list to see if you meet the Primary Eligibilities for one or more of these scholarships. If so, put a check mark beside it (them).

<u>Check</u> (to apply)	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Award</u>	<u>Primary Eligibilities</u>
_____	Bettimarie Lindner Miller	\$1,000	Science or Medical
_____	Eddie Kurtz Memorial	\$500	Trades/technical careers
_____	Joanne Grable Endowment	\$1000	Trade/technical careers
_____	Timmy Valenzuela Memorial	\$500	4-year degree
_____	Randall's at Lady Di's Kitchen	\$500	2.5 GPA
_____	Northern AZ Fund	\$3,000	Financial need/merit
_____	Robert S. Shell Memorial	\$1,000	Social Work or Mental Health
_____	"Faith's Legacy Scholarship"	\$3,000	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	The "Espiritu"	\$500	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	Joan Evans	\$500	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	The W. Don & Sherry McDonald UofA Engineering Scholarship	\$2500	Engineering at UofA (restricted)

- 2) Obtain the abstracts for the scholarships that you checked in Step 1, from either the Guidance Office or the Mingus Union High School website. Make sure that you meet all of the additional requirements for the scholarship(s), if any.

***** Please note that Mingus Connection scholarships must be used starting the Fall semester following your Spring graduation, i.e., graduate Spring 2020, enroll and use funds Fall 2020.***

- 3) Create a folder for each scholarship that you checked off in Step 1. It should contain copies of the following:
- Your completed Application for Mingus Connection Scholarships.
 - Your processed FAFSA (www.fafsa.ed.gov) that shows your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).
 - A Personal Statement – at least a 350-word statement that may include (but is not limited to) your interests, high school activities/clubs/leadership positions, community activities, educational goals, career goals, financial need, work experience, special considerations.
 - Official transcript.
 - Any additional requirements stated in the scholarship abstract(s).

It is your responsibility to collect the required materials for each scholarship. Make sure that the Counseling Office has all of these materials no later than the last Friday in March.

Application for Mingus Connection Scholarships

Full Name: First: _____ **Last:** _____ **MI:** _____

Permanent Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different from Permanent): _____

Telephone number(s): _____

Email Address: _____

Date and Place of Birth: _____ **Country of Citizenship:** _____

4) ****College you plan to attend:** _____

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Your signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Make a copy of this completed application for every Mingus Connection scholarship for which you are applying. Make sure you check the appropriate scholarship above on each copy and include it in your scholarship folder(s). Return your folder(s) to the Guidance Office no later than the last Friday in March.

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