

# **Business & Professional Women of Nevada County**

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## **DOLORES “DEE” ELDRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP RULES**

Business & Professional Women of Nevada County, wishing to make a difference to local women re-entering college or vocational school and the workplace, established in November 1997 the Dolores “Dee” Eldridge Scholarship Fund. Help with tuition, books, daycare or other needed services or supplies, in the form of a small education grant, can make a difference to women seeking to improve their marketability in the workplace. Contributions to the Scholarship Fund are solicited from BPW members, businesses, and the community at large and are tax deductible.

**DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSION:** June 30th

Scholarships are awarded in August

\$500.00 to 1500.00+

### **APPLICATION**

To receive a *Dolores “Dee” Eldridge* scholarship, a candidate must:

- Be a woman 25 years or older and reside in Nevada County;
- Have successfully completed at least one semester’s work at an accredited school or have completed one half of an accredited vocational training school;
- Currently attend the above-cited school or training program at least half time (ie. carrying at least six units);
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or higher;
- Agree with BPW’s mission statement and legislative platform issues (attached);
- Be available for a personal interview, if contacted;
- Provide the following documentation, on or before deadline:
  1. Candidate application form
  2. Transcript or proof of enrollment
  3. Three current letters of reference
  4. Essay, 200+ words on A WOMAN’S ISSUE THAT CONCERNS ME MOST.

### **SELECTION**

Candidates are evaluated by the BPW Scholarship Committee on the following criteria. A total of 100 points is possible, with no more than 20 points for each of the five following criteria. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to make all decisions regarding awards and all decisions are final.

**GOALS**

**FINANCIAL NEED**

**ESSAY**

**LETTERS OF REFERENCE**

**FORMS & PAPERWORK**

Finalists will be called for a personal interview.

The winning candidate will have realistic goals and display potential ability and aptitude for her chosen field, ambition, motivation and financial need. Awareness of the greater community is desirable. In the personal interview, each candidate will be asked the same questions; depending on responses, follow-up questions will vary. Previous winners are welcome to apply.