

Guidelines for the William H. Feller and Edna B. Feller Scholarship Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation

The William H. Feller and Edna B. Feller Scholarship was established by their son, Robert L. Feller Ph.D. to honor his parents and the fact that he received his primary scholastic training in the Linden Public School System beginning with primary school on Wood Avenue at the foot of Gibbens Street through Junior High and graduation from Linden High School in the class of 1937. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1941 with a major in chemistry and received his M.S. degree from Rutgers University, New Brunswick in 1943. During WWII, he served in the Navy from 1944-1946, where he ended up his service teaching sonar and other electronic instrumentation at the Naval Training School at Navy Pier, in Chicago. Following discharge, he returned to Rutgers where, upon receiving his Ph.D. degree in organic chemistry in 1950, he accepted a newly established position at Mellon Institute in Pittsburgh, PA, sponsored by the National Gallery of Art and Pittsburgh's Mellon institute to conduct research on the deterioration of paints, pigments, and varnishes. Over the next thirty eight years until his retirement in 1988, he became internationally known, receiving many honors for his numerous studies on the aging of varnishes and the fading of pigments, in parts summing up in books "On Picture Varnishes and Their Solvents", "Accelerated Aging", and "Artists Pigments", the latter the first of a four-volume series published by the National Gallery of Art. There were also a number of joint publications with his wife, Ruth Johnston Feller, a well-known expert in color science.

The following criteria will apply:

- Student must be a graduating senior at Linden High School in Linden, New Jersey
- Student must have been a part of the Linden School System (as determined by the Linden guidance counseling office) for more than 5 years to be eligible for this scholarship.
- Student must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0.
- Student must demonstrate financial aid.
- Student must provide school transcripts.
- Student must write a one-page essay on their life goals and how this scholarship will help them to achieve them.

Final selection of the scholarship winners will be decided (subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of The Pittsburgh Foundation) by a Scholarship Advisory Committee. *No member of the Advisory Committee, or his or her immediate family, is eligible for scholarship assistance during his or her tenure on the Advisory Committee.*

The Pittsburgh Foundation shall notify the chosen scholarship recipient(s) of its decision. The scholarship payment will be made after The Pittsburgh Foundation's June Board Meeting, and after the student verifies the school acceptance or enrollment in the school he or she will be attending. Payment will be made to the school on behalf of the student.

**William H. Feller and Edna B. Feller Scholarship
Application**

Date: _____

Name: _____
(please do not use nicknames)

Home Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone #: (_____) _____ County: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current High School: _____

Address: _____

Month/Year of Graduation: _____ GPA: _____

Institution at which to use scholarship: _____

Major: _____

Cost of Tuition: _____

Residence: ___ home ___ on campus ___ off campus ___ other (specify)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Names of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) and their Respective Occupations:

| Name | Occupation |
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List names and ages of brothers and sisters who are under the age of 21 and indicate whether they are currently attending school beyond the high school level and if so, whether they are receiving financial aid:

| Name of Sibling | School Attending | Receiving Financial Aid? |
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If you anticipate receiving financial assistance or scholarships from any other sources, please describe them, including the amounts expected, below:

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Do you have a part-time Job? If so, where? _____
(on a separate sheet of paper, describe your duties, hours, and pay. If you do not work, please explain why.)

CURRENT WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Please list current employment or volunteer experience:

Type of Work/Activities

From (month/year)

To (month/year)

HONORS

What special recognition have you received for outstanding school and/or community work, such as honors, prizes or scholarships?

ACTIVITIES

List community/school activities in which you have participated (scouting, religious organizations, etc.) as well as school related (athletics, class officer, publications, etc.)

APPLICANT ESSAY

Submit a one page essay on your life goals and how this scholarship will help you achieve them.

LETTER OF REFERENCE

Please submit a personal reference letter from an individual not related to you (person(s) who know your educational goals).

Reference should include the applicant's name, the name of the person providing the reference, position, signature and date signed. Each reference should address the following:

(1) the applicant's general ability; (2) appraisal of the applicant, giving details in the form of examples with regard to leadership ability, citizenship, concern for others, responsibility, initiative and general interest; and (3) qualities that most commend the applicant.

GENERAL

Please attach the following to your application:

1. Official school transcript
2. Essay
3. Letter of reference
4. A copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR)

Mail completed applications by May 1 to:

William H. Feller and Edna B. Feller Scholarship Fund

**Attn: Deborah Turner, Scholarship Coordinator
The Pittsburgh Foundation
Five PPG Place, Suite 250
Pittsburgh PA 15222-5414**

Incomplete Applications Will Not Be Considered