

Orrin & Margaret Bull Family Scholarship

Description

The Orrin and Margaret Bull Family Scholarship is funded by a gift to the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation by the family of Orrin and Margaret Bull. Orrin grew up in Janesville, attended its public schools, and graduated from Janesville High School and the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater. He earned his master's degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He taught junior and senior high school in Fort Atkinson and also taught in Germany at an American dependent's school for a three-year period.

For many years prior to retirement, Orrin was a guidance counselor at the high school. In that role, he organized and promoted the scholarship program. In addition, Orrin was an early promoter of recycling and environmentally friendly practices.

Margaret, a native of Whitewater, graduated from Whitewater College High School and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, being trained as a teacher and librarian. Orrin and Margaret raised four children, all of whom graduated from Fort Atkinson High School.

Full payment of the scholarship is made in one year; the scholarship is not renewable but recipients may apply again in subsequent years.

Eligibility

Eligible students are past graduates of Fort Atkinson High School who:

- Are undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater who have completed at least one year of undergraduate work at the time of application for this scholarship.
- Are preparing for a career in education or some aspect of environmental sciences (for example, conservation, ecology, forestry, recycling, alternative energy, etc.).
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 point scale) in post-secondary study and are in good academic standing in his/her undergraduate program.

Selection

All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of a representative of the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation, the Superintendent of the Fort Atkinson School District (or his/her designee), one or two members of the community recruited by the Community Foundation, and a member or representative of the Bull family, if available.

The committee will consider financial need but it will not be the determining factor. Extracurricular activities, work experience and community involvement also will be considered.