**PILLARS TRUST SCHOLARSHIP**

The Pillars Trust Scholarship was established by Edward R. Pillars, who was born on October 6, 1877, and died on June 28, 1959. He lived much of his life in Fostoria, Ohio, was an entrepreneur, with others obtained several patents, and was the founder of Fostoria Screw Company which was established in 1911.

In his trust he created the Pillars Trust Scholarship to provide professional, vocational, and technical educations in colleges, universities, and other institutions of learning for young men and women of the City of Fostoria, Ohio, and the surrounding vicinity who have outstanding ability and aptitude but insufficient means either of their own or of their families to enable them to obtain such professional, vocational or technical educations and who otherwise could not have secured the benefits of such training.

The trust does not contemplate full scholarships and intends that recipients supplement the scholarship with their own earnings.

He further directs that each recipient be informed that in the event the recipient can at any time repay the amount advanced after graduation or the completion of their education, that the amount so advanced be repaid without interest, but that such promise to repay shall not be obligatory upon the recipient so that the recipient may have a free choice in the desire to help others who might be similarly situated, thereby creating a larger fund for such purpose.

It was Mr. Pillars desire that the recipient of his scholarship become a leader and a useful and valuable member of the community. And it was his desire that the recipient displays the qualities of natural talent, ability of concentration, energy, powers of observation, mathematical mind and demonstrable evidence that the individual is industrious and endowed with a character that has qualities which will make such recipient a good citizen.

Completed application forms should be mailed or emailed to:

**Fostoria Learning Center**  
342 Perry Street  
Fostoria, OH 44830

**Email:** [director@fostorialearningcenter.org](mailto:director@fostorialearningcenter.org)

**SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

* Applicant must be a resident of the City of Fostoria or surrounding vicinity.
* One (1) scholarship application form should be completed per applicant.
* Financial need is not a consideration. The scholarship is for one year and is non-renewable.
* The scholarship check will be mailed directly to the educational institution that the applicant is planning to attend.

**PILLARS TRUST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Personal Information**

First

Name, Last

Middle

Address

City

Zip

State

**Educational Information**

Schools Attended

*Please attach a copy of school transcript*

College, Community College, Vocational School, Technical School, Professional Training Program, or Learning Center to be Attended:

If a military veteran, please list service and discharge status:

**Employment Information**

Please list all jobs held, as well as jobs to be held while in school or during summers:

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Please supply a short statement of why you require financial aid:

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1. Please supply **two** letters of recommendation from people who can reference your natural talents, abilities of concentration, energy, powers of observation, mathematical skills, individual industriousness, and character.
2. Please supply a 500-word essay stating where and what you plan to be doing ten years from now:

I understand that I am required to submit my grades and transcript to the Trust Scholarship Committee at least annually.

I certify that I am not a direct lineal decedent of Edward R. Pillars.

The trust contains the following language:

“It is further my desire and I direct that the trustee and the committee herein named, inform each recipient that in the event the recipient can at any time repay the amount advanced to him or her after graduation or the completion of his or her education, the amount so advanced be repaid without interest but such promise to repay shall not be obligatory upon the recipient, it being my intention herein that such decisions should rest with the recipient so that he/she may have a free choice in his/her desire to help others who might be similarly situated, thereby creating a larger fund for such purpose.”

**I acknowledge that I have read the above statements and understand them.**

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Printed Name Signature Date