



# Jewish Foundation *of* Greater Dayton

## THE RESILIENCE FUND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Known for his impeccably monogrammed shirt cuffs (DWK) and his outstanding leadership, **Dan Weckstein** served the Cincinnati/Dayton community for **20+** years until he took a medical leave due to a rare form of brain cancer. Dan was a teacher and administrator in the Kings Local SD, Lakota Local SD and most recently served as principal of Oakwood Junior High School in Dayton, Ohio. The resilience and bravery he showed in the face of his cancer inspired the OJH Student Council to fund a scholarship in 2018 to acknowledge students facing similar challenges and to motivate them to live every day with courage. The \$1,000 scholarship, which was awarded in May 2018 was the inspiration for development of **The Resilience Scholarship Fund**.

**The Resilience Scholarship Fund** was established in 2019 as a legacy initiative in memory of Dan Weckstein. The mission of the scholarship is to acknowledge and motivate resilient students by supporting them in their post-secondary endeavors through **Scholarship Awards**. More details about the Fund can be found at **[www.goresilience.org](http://www.goresilience.org)**.

**The Resilience Scholarship Fund** will award five (5) **\$1,000** scholarships in 2020 – one scholarship per participating school district. The scholarship will be awarded to high school seniors who have shown extraordinary resilience to a personal or family life challenge. Examples include family, personal, health, physical, emotional, mental health, and all other scenarios where resilience has been demonstrated.

### Criteria:

- Students must be current high school seniors within one of the following eligible Ohio school districts: Oakwood City School District, Lakota Local School District, Kings Local School District, Centerville City School District and Kettering City School District
- Students must plan to enroll in a post-secondary educational program (Associates Degree, Bachelors Degree, Vocational School, etc.)
- Complete the electronic form by **midnight April 5, 2020** for consideration.
- Email application to: **[theresiliencefund@gmail.com](mailto:theresiliencefund@gmail.com)**
- Award announcement will be made in early May.

Scholarships will be evaluated by two (2) different constituents within each participating district – a team of JH/SH students, a team of JH/SH Staff. Keep this in mind when completing the application.

**(Applicant names will be kept confidential when essay is evaluated by student and staff representatives.)**

I have read the above directions and I understand that the application will be evaluated by JH/SH School student and JH/SH staff representatives.

Please indicate your school district (check one):

Oakwood City School District

Lakota Local School District

Kings Local School District

Centerville City School District

Kettering City School District

I am currently an enrolled senior in a participating school district with an expected 2019 graduation date.



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### I. Biographical Information

#### A. Applicant

Name: (Last, First, Full Middle Name)

Male

Female

Date of birth:

Home Address:

City, State and Zip:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-mail:

### II. Educational and Vocational Information

#### A. Secondary School Information

School/career program for which the scholarship will be used (subject to change):

Course of Study:

Anticipated Graduation Date:

Career Objective/Goal:

### III. Resilience Essay (600 total word limit)

Demonstrate how you have shown extraordinary resilience to a personal or family life challenge. Examples include family, personal, health, physical, emotional, mental health, and all other scenarios where resilience has been demonstrated. **(600 total word limit)**

**Part 1** – Explain the background/situation of your personal or family life challenge – What was the situation?



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### III. Resilience Essay (600 total word limit) continued

**Part 2** – Provide details and specific examples of your resilience in facing this challenge – What did you do?

**Part 3** – Explain how being resilient has had a positive impact on your life and/or the life of those around you.



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### IV. Optional Information (250 word limit)

Optional: If you would like to provide any additional information you think important to your qualification for the scholarship, please add up to 250 words.

### V. Assurances

By checking this box, I,  
information provided on this application is true and accurate.

declare that the