

# The Spike Jorgensen SCHOLARSHIP

UP TO **\$4,000**

FOR YOUR COLLEGE OR CAREER EDUCATION

The Coalition for Education Equity offers two new Spike Jorgensen Scholarships each year. Scholarships are \$1,000 per year, renewable for up to four years total.

Scholarships are awarded based on a short personal essay and letters of recommendation – not on GPA – and can be used at any in-state or out-of-state college or trade school.

The scholarship honors Dr. Spike Jorgensen, who fought for many years to improve facilities and school programs in rural Alaska as a founder and executive director of CEE (formerly CEAAC).

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**DEADLINE: April 19, 2024**

Additional information and scholarship application at:

[www.ceequity.org/scholarship](http://www.ceequity.org/scholarship)



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Become one of  
the 2024  
Winners!**

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# **Spike Jorgensen Scholarship 2024**

Deadline for new scholarship applications: **April 19, 20124**

Deadline for scholarship renewal applications: **May 24, 2024**

The Spike Jorgensen Scholarship is established in recognition of Mr. Jorgensen and his life-long commitment to Alaska's children as an advocate for their educational success.

Annually, the Coalition for Education Equity of Alaska (Formerly Citizens for the Educational Advancement of Alaska's Children (CEE)) will award two scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to two deserving graduating seniors that reflect the need for financial assistance to further their academic goals from Alaska school districts that are members of CEE as of January 1 of the year of the award (a list of member districts is at the end of this document). One scholarship is reserved for a deserving student from a CEE member district village that has a population of less than 1,000 residents. Only one new scholarship may be awarded per school district in any given year.

Scholarships are awarded based on the judgment of the selection committee that a student shows high achievement in the context in which he or she was educated, with an emphasis on rewarding success in schools that face challenges, and that the student expresses positive and meaningful educational goals.

The Jorgensen Scholarship may be renewed by a student recipient to support up to four consecutive years of a post-secondary career if all requirements are met on an annual basis, without a break (see "Terms and Conditions," attached). Renewal requires full-time student status and at least a 2.5 GPA (where applicable).

Changes to the Jorgensen Scholarship program are at the sole discretion of the CEE Board of Directors, which reserves the right to cancel the program for any reason, including any scholarship renewals, at any time, without notice.

Please submit your application as a PDF document by emailing it to: [info@ceequity.org](mailto:info@ceequity.org)

If necessary, applications can also be submitted in hard copy to:

Spike Jorgensen Scholarship  
c/o Coalition for Education Equity (CEE)  
P.O. Box 90791  
Anchorage, AK 99509

Questions can be addressed to: [info@ceequity.org](mailto:info@ceequity.org)

Information about CEE and our program are at: [www.ceequity.org](http://www.ceequity.org)

Upon receiving an application, CEE will send a confirming email to the applicant. Winners will be notified by email by May 10, 2024.

# CEE Spike Jorgensen Scholarship Application Cover Page

## 2024 deadlines

**New applications: April 19, 2024**

**Renewals: May 24, 2024**

Student name:

School district attended as a high school senior:

Student mailing address:

Student email address:

Student phone number:

This application is for a:

Current high school senior \_\_\_\_

Previous scholarship recipient requesting renewal \_\_\_\_

Post-secondary school student plans to attend (if known):

Intended major or vocational area of focus:

To apply for a **new** Jorgensen scholarship, a high school senior should submit:

This application Check List/Cover Page

Written response to question

Agreement to terms and conditions statement

Letter of reference from a district staff member

Letter of reference from a district administrator

To request **renewal** of a scholarship, an ongoing post-secondary student should submit:

This application check list/cover page

Agreement to terms and conditions statement

Transcripts (or equivalent) for the past year showing academic status and grades

If transferring, information on the new institution.

CEE prefers electronic applications in a Microsoft Word or PDF format emailed to: [info@ceequity.org](mailto:info@ceequity.org)

If electronic submission is not possible, applications can also be sent in hard copy to:

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## **Spike Jorgensen Scholarship 2024**

Please answer the following question in your own words. Your responses should be no more than two pages in length in font size 12.

*Thinking of your opportunities and your responsibilities to your family, community, state and nation, how will a post-secondary education prepare you for a positive future?*

## Spike Jorgensen Scholarship

### Terms and Conditions

Students awarded scholarships agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. New application and renewal deadlines are on the cover sheet and posted on the CEE website. Applications emailed or postmarked after the deadline will not be considered.
2. Scholarship awards are mailed directly to the post-secondary institution that you have enrolled in and will be attending after verification of your admission. Payments will be mailed in one installment at the start of the school year to the institution's registrar or business office. Scholarship funds may be used for any legitimate educational purpose during the school year.
3. Renewal of the scholarship is available to recipients to support up to four years total of post-secondary education that is completed in consecutive years, without breaks.
4. To receive renewal of the scholarship, students must submit a request to CEE, along with updated information as to their progress toward their educational goals, including transcripts showing academic standing.
5. Students are responsible for notifying CEE of any changes of status of enrollment, change of address, change of email address, change in post-secondary institution attendance or any other information that may affect their eligibility for scholarship awards.
6. Students who receive this scholarship must remain in good academic standing with a minimum GPA for the year of 2.5 with at least 12 credit hours per semester passed and completed. GPA will be calculated figured on a 4.0 scale where a grade of A = 4.0.
7. Students who are pursuing a vocational program are expected to show satisfactory progress toward earning a vocational degree or certification for renewal eligibility.
8. Students who do not fulfill the requirements for renewal by the deadline will lose the opportunity to apply for renewal of this scholarship. The scholarship may only be renewed for consecutive years of schooling; any break in scholarship eligibility forfeits further renewals.
9. The CEE Board of Directors has sole discretion to change the Jorgensen Scholarship program, to reduce or eliminate funding, or to cancel the program at any time, without prior notice.
10. Questions should be addressed to CEE at : [info@ceequity.org](mailto:info@ceequity.org) or P.O. Box 90791, Anchorage, AK 99509.

Certification:

I certify that the information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. If CEE awards me this scholarship, I agree to abide by the terms and conditions as stated above.

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Applicant's name

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Date

**Member School Districts:**

- Alaska Gateway School District
- Anchorage School District
- Bristol Bay Borough School District
- Kake City School District
- Lower Kuskokwim School District
- Nenana City School District
- Nome Public Schools
- Northwest Arctic Borough School District
- St. Mary's School District
- Yupiit School District