

# Joyce Kallstrom Memorial Scholarship Application

## Instructions to Applicants:

- Please use ink, print, or type your answers.
- Include with your application: current transcripts, personal ambitions and goals, copy of your AARC membership card, identification of references expected to receive, essay regarding COPD as described.
- References can be sent to the email address listed, or by request of address via mail.

All applications for scholarship awards must be accompanied by the following:

1. A professionally written paper describing COPD and the role that the respiratory therapist plays in caring for patients with this diagnosis.
2. A short description (250 words or less) outlining your academic, professional, and/or volunteer respiratory care experience that may include career goals and/or an explanation of your reason(s) for choosing respiratory care as a profession.
3. A letter from the Program Director, or Clinical Faculty Member attesting to the applicants (a) enrollment in an accredited respiratory program with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater, (b) expected graduation date, and (c) potential for a career in the respiratory care profession.
4. Two personal references. One reference must be from an instructor or respiratory care practitioner who has worked with you in a patient care setting.

Deadline for Application: March 1<sup>st</sup>, annually

### Email Completed Application to:

[sdsrc.president@gmail.com](mailto:sdsrc.president@gmail.com)

(If you prefer to mail completed paperwork, please email president for current mailing address)

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Respiratory Care Program \_\_\_\_\_

Respiratory Care Program Director \_\_\_\_\_

Program Director Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Degree/Credential upon Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

AARC Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Educational History: (after high school)

School	Courses/Major	Diploma/Degree	Year
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Extracurricular Activities: (list any community involvement to include projects, awards, offices held, camps, jobs, volunteer work, etc. (use additional paper as needed)

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I declare that I have completed this application and that it is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicants Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Joyce Kallstrom Memorial Scholarship Application

Joyce Kallstrom grew up in Marion, South Dakota and spent most of her early and then later years between Sioux Falls and Marion. At the age of 83, after battling COPD for many years, Joyce passed away. Joyce always appreciated a good laugh, was a tremendous fighter, a helpful friend to others and was the loving mother of four.

Joyce's battle with COPD was long and she was in the hospital a number of times. Joyce got to know, understand, and had respect for the role of the respiratory therapists who she always felt knew the most about her pulmonary care. Joyce was also the mother of a respiratory therapist and so she also made it a point to ask those who cared for her if they were members of their professional society; the American Association of Respiratory Care. In efforts to carry on with her actions, Joyce's family has decided to award a \$750 annual scholarship along with a one year membership to the AARC to a student who can in an essay describe COPD and the role that the respiratory therapist plays in caring for patients with this diagnosis.

### Scholarship Criteria:

1. The student must be entering into or be in the last year of an accredited respiratory care program.
2. Upon receipt of the application, the student must hold a minimum of 3.0 out of 4.0, or equivalent, GPA for all required respiratory program course work.
3. The student must demonstrate an aptitude for serving those afflicted with lung disease, as well as a commitment to the respiratory care profession.
4. The student will exhibit community service, preferably in healthcare related organizations including but not limited to the SDSRC, American Association for Respiratory Care, American Lung Association, American Heart Association, COPD Foundation, American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, or other medical related organizations.
5. The student must submit the completed application form, including all required inclusions to the SDSRC President by March 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year.

### Award Notification

The selected recipient will be notified of their award via email or phone call. Notice of the award will be posted on the SDSRC website and announced at the SDSRC annual business meeting held in conjunction with the SDSRC Annual Meeting and Conference.

### Review/Selection Process

Applications will be accepted if the postmark or electronic mail dates meet the established due date and will be forwarded to the selection committee for verification of criteria and completeness. The selection committee will then use its discretion to select the recipient of the award.

The SDSRC/ARCF reserves the right to cancel, hold, or refrain from making an award at any time for any reason.

### Funding

The Joyce Kallstrom Memorial Scholarship is being funded through the American Respiratory Care Foundation and includes an established amount of \$750 annually as well as a one year membership to the AARC.