



CLARENCE VOIGT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2021 PGA REACH GATEWAY YOUTH PILLAR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Background

Clarence Voigt began caddying at age nine at Westborough and then Westwood Country Clubs. Those experiences built the foundation of his character – hard work and service to others – and ignited his passion for golf. After Naval service in World War II, Clarence quickly found his way back to golf by joining St. Clair Country Club in Belleville, Illinois, as the Assistant Golf Professional in 1946. He later became Head Pro and then Director of Golf before he retired in 1990.

Clarence loved working with junior golfers, was a talented teacher and an expert club maker. He was a proud Life Member of the Professional Golfers' Association of America and surpassed the half century mark. Clarence modeled traits of loyalty, courage, dedication, good sportsmanship, and determination in the way he lived his life. To honor his contributions to golf and to perpetuate his legacy, Clarence's family and friends have created a scholarship fund in his name for those young people who embody the same character traits.

Scholarship Information

PGA REACH Gateway grants a limited number of college scholarships to high school graduates each year through the Clarence Voigt Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Clarence Voigt Memorial Scholarship places a collective emphasis on a commitment to golf, academics, community involvement and character. Over the past ten years, PGA REACH Gateway has awarded over \$27,000 in scholarships.

The PGA REACH Gateway Clarence Voigt Memorial Scholarship will be awarded by the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee. Individual scholarship amounts range from \$1,000 - \$3,000. The number of scholarships awarded each year varies.

Those already receiving full collegiate scholarships are not eligible. The value of the award alone or in combination with other aid may not exceed total tuition and fees. Disbursement of the scholarship will be made to the college or university for the recipient's educational expenses when he or she attends that institution. PGA REACH Gateway shall not restrict the choice of institution.

Applicant Eligibility

- High school senior in the graduating class of 2021 with plans to continue your education at a college or university in the fall of 2021
- Reside in the Gateway PGA Section (Greater St. Louis Area / Metropolitan Area of St. Louis, Eastern Missouri, Central Missouri, and Southern Illinois)
- Participated in the Gateway PGA Junior Tour sometime during your high school years

Application Requirements

- Complete the application, including essay responses
- Submit a letter of recommendation from one high school teacher, coach, or golf professional
- Provide a copy of high school transcript including ACT and SAT scores, if available
- If selected as a finalist, participate in an interview with Scholarship Committee during late May

Application Submission

Please mail or scan & send your completed application, letter of recommendation, and transcript to:

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PGA REACH Gateway
17269 Wild Horse Creek Drive, Suite 110
Chesterfield, MO 63005

OR

By Email to: Natalie Long (nlong@pgahq.com)
Subject: Clarence Voigt Memorial Scholarship

APPLICATION MUST BE POST MARKED BY: Saturday, May 1st

Recipient(s) of the Scholarship will be announced in June 2021.

Scholarship will be formally presented at the 2021 PGA REACH Gateway Ozzie & Friends Gala at the Ritz Carlton in St. Louis, Missouri on Sunday, October 10, 2021.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print, complete, sign and return entire application by May 1, 2021)

Applicant's Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

High School _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Coach or Pro _____ Phone Number (_____) _____

Parents' Names _____

Parents' Address _____

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: _____

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED BY:

Name _____

Position _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

Good Sportsmanship/Honesty

In addition to being a challenging physical and mental game, golf offers life lessons. Please write an essay that describes how your character and values have been influenced by golf and attach to the application.

Determination/Work Ethic

Explain how you became involved with golf and what has kept you interested in the game.

What goals do you have for college, career, or life?

Dedication

List your activities inside and outside of school and duration of involvement.

Name two accomplishments that make you proud. Why?

Loyalty/Helping Others

Share your volunteer experiences and what meaning they have had to you.

What years have you participated in the Gateway PGA Junior Tour?

SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____