



DEKALB COUNTY  
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# Harold P. Wells Scholarship

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**Harold P. Wells** died May 11, 1996 at the age of 74. Dr. Wells graduated from high school in Danbury, Connecticut. He earned a B.S. degree in Physical Education from Springfield, Massachusetts, and a M.S. and his Ph. D. in Physical Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana. He taught in many places including Bangkok, Thailand, The University of Illinois, Yale University, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, and Northern Illinois University.

## **Purpose:**

Dr. Wells was interested in people who wished to further their education. His wish for this fund was to help DeKalb Fire Department members and their families to have a chance at furthering their education in some small way. He chose the DeKalb Fire Department because his youngest son was a member of the department at the time of his death. Dr. Wells lived in DeKalb for more than one-third of his life. He thought that establishing this scholarship was one small way to give back to the community by helping those who serve their community in the fire service. **All applications and any supporting documents must be submitted online. The application deadline for the 2020 application is 11:59 p.m. on April 15.**

## **Scholarship Criteria:**

**The Harold P. Wells Memorial Scholarship Fund**, administered at the DeKalb County Community Foundation, was created to help offset the cost of education for individuals that fit within the categories listed below. Applicants will be considered for the scholarship in the priority order below:

1. Any member or retired employee of the DeKalb Fire Department (including chief officers and office staff)
2. Dependents of an employee or retired employee of the DeKalb Fire Department
3. Graduates of the Fire Sciences Program at the Kishwaukee Education Consortium

The **Harold P. Wells Scholarship** can be used to offset expenses for any educational purpose. Some examples include college tuition, any fire course, educational short courses, conferences and camps, such as music and space camp, etc.

The scholarship will be \$500 unless split between multiple recipients.

## **Application Instructions:**

Please visit <https://dekalbccf.org/receive/scholarship-application/> to access the application. All application materials must be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. April 15.

## **Questions or need additional information?**

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