

# **Jason Dahnert Memorial Scholarship**

## **Description**

The Jason Dahnert Memorial Scholarship is funded by a gift to the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation made by the family and friends of Jason Dahnert, who died unexpectedly in June 1997, at the end of his junior year at Fort Atkinson High School, of an undiscovered and rare congenital heart disorder. Jason had the good fortune to have many talented friends who continued on in life to pursue a variety of careers. He himself was hoping to pursue a career in engineering. To honor his memory and to help other promising young people achieve their dreams, his thoughtful family established this scholarship to assist students pursuing a career in engineering.

Full payment of the scholarship is made in one year; the scholarship is not renewable but recipients may apply again in subsequent years.

## **Eligibility**

Eligible students are current high school seniors, college undergraduates, or graduate students who:

- Are pursuing a degree in any of the disciplines involving engineering at a recognized college or university. In addition to the traditional engineering fields, eligible disciplines also include architecture, which involves a knowledge and study of engineering, and software engineering but only if the applicant's intended college or university offers a certified (accredited) program in software engineering (accreditation status is available at ABET.org, and a list of accredited programs can be provided by the Foundation upon request.)
- Are a resident of the Fort Atkinson area or a graduate of Fort Atkinson High School.
- At the time of application, have a minimum gradepoint average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.

## **Selection**

All applications will be reviewed by a committee selected by the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation, consisting of one foundation director, the Superintendent of the Fort Atkinson School District, one or two community representatives, and a member or representative of the Dahnert family (if available).

The committee will consider each applicant's academic record, their financial need, participation in extra-curricular activities, and community involvement.