

The Stella Joy Bunnell Endowed Scholarship

The Stella Joy Bunnell Scholarship was established by Brian Krueger, Stella's grandfather in Stella's memory. Stella was born 3 months premature on April 24, 2019 and lived for 50 days, passing on June 13, 2019. Stella was born and cared for at Women and Infants Hospital in Providence. Brian's daughter and Stella's mother, Bethany Bunnell and her husband Quentin, spent countless hours each day at the hospital while Stella was a patient there. During that time, Bethany befriended several of the nurses and was greatly appreciative of the care and compassion that they showed. Those nurses were graduates of RIC's nursing program. Brian and his wife, Debbie, reside just outside Houston, TX. On their visits to the hospital during Stella's stay they were also impressed by the quality of care and individual attention given by the nurses. They made a difficult situation easier to cope with. This fund will be used to generate scholarships to support nursing students at Rhode Island College.

Selection Criteria

1. The recipient must be pursuing a degree in nursing and enrolled full-time as a junior or senior at Rhode Island College School of Nursing
2. The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 3.3
3. The recipient must submit a typewritten essay (no more than 500 words) explaining "Why I am pursuing a nursing degree."

THE STELLA JOY BUNNELL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP– AY 2021-2022- APPLICATION

Rhode Island College School of Nursing (RICSON)

Nursing Scholarship applications are due by May 14, 2021. The scholarship recipient will be determined by a vote of the RICSON Nursing faculty, in collaboration with the Bunnell Family. Decision letters will be emailed in **late August 2021**. Please send your completed, signed **application** form and typed **essay** as an attachment via **email** to Melissa DeCosta at mdecosta@ric.edu with the email subject **Nursing Scholarships**.

Student Applicant's Legal Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Email Address: _____

RIC Student ID: _____ Phone Number: _____

GPA: _____ Expected Month/Year of Graduation: _____

Fall 2021 full-time enrollment status: Junior _____ Senior _____

Are you a past nursing scholarship(s) recipient? No _____ Yes _____ If yes, year: _____

If yes, name of scholarship(s) awarded _____

Other aid student applied for/may receive for academic year 2021-2022 (grants, scholarships, waivers, awards, etc.):

In what way would you benefit by receiving this scholarship? _____

A typewritten essay of 500 words maximum explaining why you are pursuing a nursing degree must be signed and attached to the email with this application form

Student Signature

I acknowledge that I have completed this form accurately and truthfully and that I meet the criteria to apply for this scholarship. I authorize the Rhode Island College School of Nursing Student Outcomes Committee to request and review my relevant educational and financial records necessary to determine my eligibility for this scholarship.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____