

Dozynki Skyward Scholarship Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone# _____ email: _____

School & Graduation Year: _____

Why would you like to be on the Dozynki Court?

Please answer one of the following questions in 500 words or less. (use separate sheet)

1. Except for these examples: Pope John Paul II, Madame Marie Skladowska Curie, Kazimierz Pulaski, Thaddeus Kosciuszko, **describe a famous Pole or Polish-American and how he/she has inspired you.**
2. **Describe your own Polish family heritage.**

I certify that the information in this application and all accompanying documents are authentic and original. I give the Polish Heritage Awareness Society, Inc. and Heritage of Portage County, Inc. permission to use my name, photograph and achievements for publicity purposes. By submission, I grant permission to publish the submission in whole or in part in print and/or electronically. In any such publication, credit shall be noted as provided on the application form. All scholarship entries become the property of the Polish Heritage Awareness Society, Inc. and/or Heritage of Portage Co., Inc. and will not be returned.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please submit completed applications before Monday, September 8, 2025 to:

Polish Heritage Awareness Society
P.O. Box 726
Stevens Point, WI 54481

Or email them to Gayle Phillip at polishheritageawareness@gmail.com

Winners will be contacted the week before the festival.

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the \$1500/1000/\$500 Dozynki Skyward Scholarship and serving as an ambassador for the Polish American community at the annual Dozynki Harvest Festival in Stevens Point. The Dozynki Festival will be the third Sunday in September at the Moose Family Center, 1025 2nd St. North, Stevens Point, WI.

Dozynki is a Polish harvest festival, still celebrated today in rural parts of Poland. In the old days, after the harvest, the best girl harvester was selected as the queen of the harvest. She presented the lord of the manor with ceremonial gifts, a wreath made of grain and the traditional loaf of bread & salt. The lord of the manor would then host a big harvest festival with lots of good food and dancing.

Three students will be selected for the \$1500 scholarship/Dozynki court, one of them serving as queen/king, to present a wreath and bread and salt to an elected official of our area. Though, the official doesn't throw a party for us, we are very fortunate to have the cooperation of local organizations and businesses that sponsor a family oriented celebration. Five \$1000 and ten \$500 scholarships will also be awarded.

Who can apply? Students entering grades 11-12 who are planning post-high school education

How to apply? Complete an application and send to: Polish Heritage Awareness Society, P.O. Box 726, Stevens Point, WI 54481 or email to Gayle Phillip at polishheritageawareness@gmail.com before Monday, September 8, 2025

Duties: Winners must be present to accept the award

Be present at the festival all day Sunday (1 PM – 5:30 PM)

at the Moose Family Center, 1025 2nd St. North, Stevens Point, WI

Take part in the march and crowning ceremony at approx. 4:45 PM Sunday

Scholarship winners will be asked to help out at the festival.

Benefits: Scholarship

Wear a Polish costume. (*Costumes to be returned, please provide your own white blouse/shirt & comfortable dress shoes*)

Win a free membership to the Polish Heritage Awareness Society for a year.

Community Involvement (great for future applications)