Winifred R. Reynolds was a lifelong educator who was born in Los Angeles in 1909. She grew up in Ohio and received her master’s degree from the Palmer Institute. After teaching for many years in Fort Collins, Colorado, she moved to San Luis Obispo, California in 1968 to teach Early Childhood Development at California Polytechnic State University. Ms. Reynolds’ emphasis was on infancy and she was instrumental in creating a program that sent child development students into existing local preschools for hands-on training as part of their curriculum. Ms. Reynolds passed away on June 5th, 2001 at the age of 93.

The Winifred R. Reynolds Educational Scholarship Fund, and a similar fund in California, were created through a bequest established in her will.

Eligibility:
Students who meet ALL of the following criteria are encouraged to apply.

- Be a current resident of Colorado or have been a resident of Colorado for at least 2 years prior to the start of the upcoming academic year (ex: for the upcoming 2020-2021 academic year, residency should have been established in 2018)
- Enrolled or planning to enroll in a master’s or doctorate level program in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, Educational Psychology, or an equivalent program with coursework focusing on early childhood education
- Have financial need
- Have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher for all graduate level work that has been completed (students who are just starting their graduate work should have a strong undergraduate academic record)

Selection: The selection committee will look at an applicant’s academic achievement, volunteer and work experience, career goals, commitment to and passion for their chosen field, potential for leadership, and the possibility of making a strong contribution to the field. An applicant must have financial need in order to be eligible for a scholarship, but the selection process will be based on merit.

Award: Award amounts typically range from $1,500 to $7,000 and are based upon the strength of the application and the number of credit hours an applicant will enroll in for the upcoming academic year. This application form can be used to request scholarship assistance for the Summer 2020, Fall 2020, and/or Winter/Spring 2021 term(s)/semester(s). Scholarship grants can be used for tuition, fees, and/or required books. Applicants can be full-time or part-time students. Previous recipients are encouraged to re-apply. An individual can receive a scholarship from this fund for a maximum of three years.

Application deadline is March 31, 2020. Go to https://denverfoundation.academicworks.com/opportunities/638 to apply for this scholarship.

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