



2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDE



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SINCE 1991, THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MADISON & JEFFERSON COUNTY HAS WORKED TO BUILD A STRONG, VIBRANT COMMUNITY BY HELPING DONORS PROVIDE PERPETUAL FUNDING FOR THE PEOPLE, PROJECTS, AND PASSIONS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY.



The Community Foundation manages over 60 scholarship funds to help students pursue their academic goals following high school. Scholarships are the most direct and public expression of financial support that the Community Foundation can give local students.

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COUNSELORS
COACHES
YOUTH LEADERS

AND ANYONE ELSE WHO HAS HELPED YOU ALONG THE WAY!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Applying for scholarships can seem like a daunting task. Here are some frequently asked questions to help you as you consider applying for our scholarships.

What kinds of scholarships are available from the Community Foundation? Am I eligible?

The local graduating seniors of the Class of 2023 were awarded nearly \$200,000 in scholarships. More than 30 different students earned money toward their college costs. Scholarships are available to a variety of applicants. Some awards are specific to schools, majors, financial need, or other interests. Others have few restrictions. Check out the [Available Scholarships Listing](#) (pg. 6) to see what you may be eligible for!

What about the annual Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship?

Jefferson County is given one Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship each year, awarding full tuition to an Indiana college or university. The application is open to Jefferson County, IN seniors in the top 10% of their graduating class (minimum three per school). The window for applying lasts from early July until mid-August, and the winner is announced in December. More details on this scholarship are on pages 18-19 and on our website at www.cfmjc.org/lecs.

How do I submit an application?

Go to our website, www.cfmjc.org, and hover over the [Grants & Scholarships](#) tab in the menu on the left side of the page, then click [Scholarships](#). On the Scholarship page, click [Apply/Accept Scholarship](#) in the menu at the top of the page. This will take you to our online application system on [Community Force](#). Click the [Log In](#) icon in the top right corner of the page. You will need to create an account with an email and password. Be sure to use an email that you will consistently monitor, and save your password for future visits.



Do I have to have SAT or ACT scores to apply for scholarships?

Many of the scholarships consider standardized test scores. While these are not required, their absence will likely put you at a disadvantage when reviewers are comparing candidates. Counselors are asked to include your PSAT scores if your SAT and ACT scores are unavailable.

Do I have to fill out the FAFSA before I apply for your scholarships?

Most of our scholarships require you to provide the SAI (Student Aid Index), formerly EFC, figure from your FAFSA. However, not all of the scholarships have a need-based requirement. Look at the [Available Scholarships Listing](#) to see which scholarships require this information. You can complete your FAFSA online at www.studentaid.gov.

Will I need to write an essay?

Some scholarships require essays for consideration. Be sure to check the [Available Scholarships Listing](#) to see what you need to include.

What about letters of recommendation?

Many scholarships require references or letters of recommendation from people like teachers, coaches, or employers. You will complete the [Request](#) section on your application which will alert your recommender to your request via email. It is your responsibility to ask for these pieces well in advance as they are due at the same time as your application. You will not be able to see the information or letters submitted on your behalf, but you will see when they have been completed. Counselors will also submit transcripts at your request.

What if I don't have everything completed by the submission deadline?

All student information and recommendations MUST be submitted on the [Community Force](#) website before Noon on February 9, 2024. Please remember to give your references plenty of time to complete and submit letters of recommendation. (If a recommendation is not received, you will be ineligible for that scholarship, but may still be awarded others not requiring that particular recommendation). It is the responsibility of the applicant to make sure all materials are completed and the SUBMIT button is pressed before this time. Your school counselor will have an additional week to submit your transcript. Partial applications will not be considered.

What is the timeline for the scholarship application process?

December 1, 2023 Applications open at Midnight
February 9, 2024 Noon deadline to submit applications
February 16, 2024 Counselor deadline for transcripts
Winners will be announced in May at Honors Day and the Community Foundation's Annual Meeting.

Are 21st Century Scholars eligible to apply for these scholarships?

Indiana's 21st Century Scholars receive full tuition to any Indiana public college or university. Because some scholarships listed are for tuition only, you may not be eligible. Take a look at the [Available Scholarships Listing](#) to see which awards you might still be able to apply for.

The majority of the Community Foundation's scholarships may be used for tuition *and* required related expenses, such as fees; *however* the following are **TUITION ONLY** scholarships:

M. W. Anderson Scholarship
Helyn Bishop Scholarship
Lisa Cheatham Memorial Scholarship
Thomas D. Craft, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Deputy Alumni Scholarship
Dennis Holt Memorial Scholarship
Ralph & Robyn Jones Family Memorial Scholarship
Dale McNeely Scholarship
Fr. Hilary G. Meny Scholarship
Terri Nighbert Memorial Scholarship
Troy Allen Pyles Memorial Scholarship

Students who are already receiving a full-tuition* scholarship at their school of choice are **INELIGIBLE** to apply for or receive:

Class of '84 Scholarship
Christie Crafton Memorial Scholarship
Dennis Holt Memorial Scholarship
Ralph & Robyn Jones Family Memorial Scholarship
George & June Kirk Scholarship
Troy Allen Pyles Memorial Scholarship

*full-tuition scholarships include: 21st Century Scholar (at a public university), tuition exchange, military appointments, athletic, academic, or other full-tuition scholarships.

Are scholarships renewable?

The majority of the scholarships are awarded for the first semester of your college enrollment only. Check the [Available Scholarships Listing](#) to see which scholarships are renewable. These scholarships renew automatically upon an annual confirmation of your enrollment, and funds are sent directly to your school each August.

If I win a scholarship, what can the money be used for?

CFMJC scholarships may be used for undergraduate tuition and related expenses like books and equipment at qualifying colleges and universities. Room and board are NOT covered, but be sure to check out the specifics in the [Available Scholarships Listing](#).

What schools may I attend?

Some scholarships are awarded only to a specific school or have some other limiting factor such as in-state, or public vs. private. The majority of the scholarships, however, can be applied to any accredited two or four year college, university, vocational, or trade school.

What is the difference between a public and a private college or university?

Public colleges and universities receive the majority of their monetary support from the state government, while private colleges and universities are supported by donations from alumni, endowment funds created by the school, and student tuition and fees. We have included a list of Indiana colleges and universities and their public/private status starting on page 26 of this guide.

What if I win one of the scholarships?

Most winners will be announced in May at the Community Foundation's Annual Meeting and/or at school ceremonies. Award recipients will receive an official award letter containing specifics of the scholarship and instructions on how to accept the award. Award recipients must complete an online acceptance form on the Foundation's [Community Force](#) application platform. Checks will be mailed directly to the colleges on August 1 for tuition and required related expenses only. If you drop out of school, any refund will return to the Foundation. If you decide to transfer, the money can generally go to the new school. You must contact the Foundation office to discuss any transfers of scholarships.

What if I have other questions?

Check first with your school's guidance counselor. If you have further questions, email Julie Wells at julie@cfmjc.org, or call the Foundation office at (812) 265-3327.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS



BE SURE TO READ THESE IMPORTANT NOTES BEFORE STARTING YOUR APPLICATION!

1. **Applications will open to students on Friday, December 1, 2023.** A link to online applications will be available on the Scholarship page of www.cfmjc.org.
2. The deadline to submit completed applications online or to Guidance Counselors is **Friday, February 9, 2024 at NOON** unless otherwise noted. Scholarships using other applications may have different deadlines. Please review the deadlines and requirements for each scholarship. **Applications and/or recommendations received after the stated deadline WILL NOT be considered under any circumstance.**
3. Scholarships including Financial Need in the criteria will require the applicant to **upload a PDF of the Student Aid Index (SAI), formerly EFC, page from the student's most recent FAFSA before the scholarship deadline.** Go to studentaid.gov to complete your financial aid information. You will need your family's most recent (2022) tax information among other documentation.
4. Scholarship awards are for tuition and/or tuition related expenses only at the undergraduate level. Students already receiving a full-tuition award from a college or another source (i.e. full-tuition athletic or academic scholarship, 21st Century Scholarship at a public institution, tuition exchange, military academy appointment) may not be eligible to receive Community Foundation scholarships.
5. Scholarship awards are generally for graduating high school seniors and are not renewable, unless otherwise noted.
6. Community Foundation employees, board members, and selection committee volunteers, as well as family members of the aforementioned individuals, are ineligible for Community Foundation scholarships, with the exception of merit-based scholarships not requiring an application. Ineligible family members include spouses, lineal descendants and their spouses, siblings and their spouses. The period of ineligibility extends through the calendar year following the year in which the volunteer position or employment ends.
7. Scholarship awards are mailed directly to the recipients' selected schools **on August 1. Student and school information must be submitted to the Community Foundation by June 15.**
8. It is the responsibility of the applicant to confirm that all parts of the application are accurate, completed, and submitted before the deadline. This includes, but is not limited to, submission of recommendation letters and addressing technical issues.

KEY:  CA of Madison  Madison HS  Shawe HS  Southwestern HS  Adult Learners
 Jennings Co. HS  New Washington HS  Trimble Co. HS  FAFSA SAI Required

*Amounts listed are based on 2023 awards - amounts are subject to change.
GPA requirements are on the weighted scale unless otherwise noted.*

BONNIE & PRINTIS SHELTON SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School, Southwestern High School, or Trimble County High School; 2) **be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; and 3) rank in the top 20% of their graduating class.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,000 | 1 scholarship, renewable at \$1,000 in each freshman & sophomore years

BRAD O'LEARY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; 3) **have taken at least 3 years of Spanish class; 4) received grades of "C" or better in Spanish classes; and 5) are interested in the Spanish language.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Spanish class academic achievement and financial need. Preference given to applicants who have participated in Spanish speaking activities such as mission trips, tutoring, Hispanic Festival, etc.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$600 | 1 scholarship

BRIAN W. STITES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; 3) **have a GPA of 2.0 and above; and 4) played on the Southwestern Boys' varsity baseball team in their senior year.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$900 | 1 scholarship

BROADWAY SCHOOL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of a Jefferson County, Indiana High School; and 2) **be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, concern for school and community, essay, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 200 word essay on the role of the Broadway High School (the first commissioned colored high school in the state of Indiana, located in the 600 block of North Broadway Street) played in the history of Madison; and 2) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$900 | 1 scholarship



CALVIN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School or Southwestern High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited four year college or university; 3) planning to major in education with the intent of teaching in a K-12 public school; and 4) have a GPA of 3.0 or above.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, academic honors and awards, extracurricular and community involvement, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) Essay of up to 250 words describing why the applicant wishes to become a teacher; 2) Scoring form completed by an academic teacher; 3) 2 letters of recommendation (one from an English teacher and one from an academic teacher of another discipline); and 4) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,200 | 1 scholarship

CAM CAR CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited public or private institution of higher learning; and **3) planning to pursue a degree or certificate in automotive technology, diesel technology, collision repair and refinishing, or other programs related to the automotive industry.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic performance and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$900 | 1 scholarship

CARL J. & MARY M. HOEFLING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 2.0 and above; 4) attended MCHS for 4 years; and 5) planning to major in a health related field.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, essay, and personal interview (by invitation)

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: A 250 word essay describing why the student wants to attend college/vocational school, their school choices, and their career and life goals. Personal interviews will be conducted by invitation only.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$4,665 | 1 scholarship

CAROLYN BRUCE SPICER & GENE E. SPICER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP (HIGH SCHOOL)

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; 3) planning to pursue an Associate or Bachelor's degree in nursing; and 4) have a GPA of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, extracurricular involvement, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,050 | 1 scholarship

CAROLYN BRUCE SPICER & GENE E. SPICER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP (ADULT LEARNER)

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: **1) be a registered nurse with an associate's degree in nursing; 2) graduated with their associate's degree with a GPA of 2.0 or higher on an unweighted 4.0 scale; 3) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; 4) planning to pursue a Bachelor's degree in nursing; and 5) reside in any of the following counties in Indiana or Kentucky: Carroll (KY), Clark (IN), Jefferson (IN), Jennings (IN), Ripley (IN), Scott (IN), Switzerland (IN), or Trimble (KY).**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic performance, work history, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,050 | 1 scholarship



CHAN CHILTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 2.5 and above; and 4) participated in two or more boys' varsity sports during their high school career.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement. Preference given to applicants who have exemplified teamwork, excelled in sportsmanship, demonstrated an outstanding work ethic, shown respect and consideration to others, practiced unselfishness, and maintained an exceptional citizenship record during high school.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,200 | 1 scholarship

CHARLES H. & C. CHRIS KELLER SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School or Shawe Memorial High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited technical or trade school, or two year college (NOT four year); and 3) have a GPA of 2.0 and above.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and extracurricular activities

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$400 | 1 scholarship

CHEATHAM FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 2.5 and above; 4) have at least one varsity letter in an IHSAA sanctioned sport; and 5) have a family member who is a graduate of MCHS.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Extracurricular and community involvement, family members who have graduated from MCHS, athletic participation, character

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Two letters of recommendations (at least one must be from a coach)

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

CHRISTIE CRAFTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School or New Washington High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend a four year college or university in Indiana; and 3) plan to pursue a degree in primary or secondary education, or a related profession that serves children, such as social services or nursing.**

APPLICANTS RECEIVING FULL-TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$800 per school | 1 scholarship per school

CLASS OF '84 SCHOLARSHIP & FRANCES K. EISAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,300 | 1 scholarship

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CURTIS WRIGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) **be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited four year college or university to pursue a baccalaureate degree; and 3) have participated in cross country and/or swimming during high school.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, academic honors and community involvement

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Letter of recommendation from a coach or administrator in the MCHS Athletic Department

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,400 | 1 scholarship

CUSTER ORATORY CONTEST SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be planning to attend any accredited two or four-year college or university, vocational or trade school; and 3) **participate in the Custer Oratorical Contest at MCHS.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Successful participation in the Custer Oratorical Contest

NO APPLICATION REQUIRED

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$550 merit award per contestant | 2 scholarships - awarded to top two contestants - amount TBD

DALE MCNEELY SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, community service, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$36,350 | 1 scholarship, renewable at \$9,087 for 4 years

DALLAS LAMB VISUAL ARTS AND ARTS & CRAFTS SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any two or four-year college or university, vocational or trade school; and 3) **be planning to further their education in the visual arts or arts & crafts (or most closely satisfies this requirement).**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Essay and letter of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) Essay of up to 250 words describing the student's specific career/vocational goals with respect to the visual arts and/or arts & crafts; 2) 3-5 digital images of artwork and/or crafts; and 3) a letter of recommendation from an individual knowledgeable about the student's skills and accomplishments

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: TBD | 1 scholarship

DENNIS HOLT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; 3) **have a GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale; and 4) played Girls' basketball for one or more years during their high school career.**

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS OR STUDENTS RECEIVING OTHER FULL-TUITION AWARDS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,400 | 1 scholarship

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DEPUTY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; 3) **attended Deputy Elementary School for at least one year; and 4) currently reside in Graham Township.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 2 letters of recommendation from teachers and/or counselors of MCHS; 2) PDF upload of acceptance letter into a program for post high school education; and 3) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$3,700 | Multiple scholarships may be awarded

DOROTHY B. LOTZ SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Class rank. SAT/ACT scores and academic class load will be considered in the event of a tie.

NO APPLICATION REQUIRED

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,000 per student | 2 scholarships

DR. FRED S. HENDERSON SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be planning to attend any accredited two or four-year college or university, vocational or trade school; and 3) **have an interest in studying math, science, or engineering at the next level.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: High academic achievement in science and math and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,400 | 1 scholarship

DR. HARVE E. & JOYCE E. RAWSON ENDOWMENT

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be residents of Jefferson County, IN; and 2) be enrolled at Franklin College in Franklin, Indiana.

CONTACT FRANKLIN COLLEGE'S ADMISSIONS & FINANCIAL AID OFFICE FOR DETAILS - (800) 852-0232 EXT. 8075.

DUPONT ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any Jefferson County, Indiana High School (including homeschool); 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and 3) **attended Dupont Elementary School for at least one year, or have a parent or grandparent who attended a Dupont school.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic record, interview, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 2 letters of recommendation from teachers and/or counselors of the applicant's high school; and 2) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$3,800 | Multiple scholarships may be awarded

FATHER HILARY G. MENY SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Shawe Memorial High School; 2) **be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; and 3) have a GPA between 2.0 and 3.0.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, good citizenship, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$500 | 1 scholarship



GARY CHAPMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ARTS

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be planning to attend any accredited two or four-year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) participated in art classes (not performing arts classes) while in high school.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Response to art-related questions. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,700 | 1 scholarship

GEORGE & JUNE KIRK SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to pursue a full time baccalaureate course of study (four year program) at any Indiana PUBLIC college or university; and 3) have a GPA of 2.5 to 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. 21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need. Community involvement, extracurricular activities, and after-school employment may be taken into consideration.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$27,600 | 1 scholarship, renewable at \$6,900 for 4 years

GEORGE & JUNE MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any Jefferson County, Indiana High School; and **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any campus of Ivy Tech Community College.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, community involvement, extracurricular activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$4,000 | 1 scholarship, renewable at \$2,000 for 2 years

GLENN G. & DOROTHY EBEL HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited four year college or university; and 3) planning to pursue a degree in primary (elementary) or secondary education.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic performance and essay. Preference will be given to applicants pursuing a degree in primary (elementary) education.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Essay of up to 250 words describing why the applicant wishes to become a teacher

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship, renewable at \$500 in freshman & junior years

HALL FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Shawe Memorial High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational, or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, good citizenship, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$300 | 1 scholarship

HELYN BISHOP SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 2 letters of recommendation from teachers and/or counselors of MCHS; and 2) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,100 | 1 scholarship



J. MICHAEL SAMPLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR MUSIC

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend a four year college or university; and 3) participated in the vocal or instrumental music programs in high school.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Outstanding vocal or instrumental music achievement

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$700 | 1 scholarship

JEFFERSON COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a recent graduate of an area high school; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) have completed four years of regular 4-H (with the last year completed in Jefferson County, IN).**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: 4-H participation, academic achievement, community activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,600 per student | 4 scholarships

JOSEPH V. CLINE SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) have a GPA of 3.0 and above.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, essay, and letters of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 2 letters of recommendation from teachers from the student's sophomore and/or junior year at MCHS; and 2) an essay of up to 250 words describing how the student has "made contributions to the student body and exemplified the school's mission statement and beliefs"

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$19,050 per student | 2 scholarships, each renewable at \$4,762.50 for 4 years

KEITH BROOKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 2.0 and above; and 4) played on the Southwestern Boys' varsity basketball team his senior year.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$600 | 1 scholarship

KENNETH E. & MARY LOU DUNBAR SCHOLARSHIP TO HONOR PERRY & DUNBAR EMPLOYEES




ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; and 3) plan to pursue a degree in a science or music related field.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, extracurricular/community activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: TBD | 1 scholarship

*Amounts listed are based on 2023 awards - amounts are subject to change.
GPA requirements are on the weighted scale unless otherwise noted.*

KEY:  CA of Madison  Madison HS  Shawe HS  Southwestern HS  Adult Learners
 Jennings Co. HS  New Washington HS  Trimble Co. HS  FAFSA SAI Required

LISA CHEATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 2.5 and above; and 4) attended Southwestern schools for at least three years.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and extracurricular activities. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,100 | 1 scholarship

LYNN A. MARICLE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited four year college or university; and 3) planning to pursue a degree in music and/or the performing arts.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic performance and letters of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 2 letters of recommendation (one from a teacher or counselor, and one from a teacher in the MCHS Music or Theatre Departments.)

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,400 | 1 scholarship

M.W. ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) attended M.W. Anderson Elementary School for at least one year (two semesters).**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, leadership, citizenship, extracurricular activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,100 | 1 scholarship

MABEL C. GREEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) rank in the upper 10% of their class.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need. Preference will be given to students majoring in education.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,350 per student | 2 scholarships

MADISON CHAUTAUQUA SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ARTS IN MEMORY OF BOB FOURHMAN     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: **1) be juniors or graduating seniors of any Jefferson County, Indiana High School or adult residents of Jefferson County, IN; 2) planning to attend a college, vocational school, IRS qualified summer study or short courses not leading to an academic degree; and 3) participation in any art form, including the visual and performing arts and photography.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Letter of recommendation and artwork samples

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) Letter of recommendation from a person knowledgeable about your talent and accomplishments in your art form; and 2) an uploaded sample of your work (maximum 3 photos or short video/audio clip)

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,200 | 1 scholarship

KEY:  CA of Madison  Madison HS  Shawe HS  Southwestern HS  Adult Learners
 Jennings Co. HS  New Washington HS  Trimble Co. HS  FAFSA SAI Required

MADISON KIWANIS - CONNOR K. SALM SCHOLARSHIP    

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) have a GPA of 3.75 and higher.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and altruistic service

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

MADISON RAILROAD SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF ROBERT GRIFFIN     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, IN or Jennings County, IN High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two year college or university, vocational or trade school, certification or apprenticeship program; and 3) pursuing a program related to a technical or industrial trade.**












CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement (with focus on technical/vocational courses) and letters of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) 2 letters of recommendation (one from a technical/vocational teacher, and one from a source outside of the school system - i.e. employer, 4-H leader, pastor, etc.), and 2) a paragraph describing the program or course of study the student plans to pursue

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

MADISON ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS - \$1,500 per scholarship | 1 award each:

- BILL OLDAKER SCHOLARSHIP   
- LARRY & CHARMAINE OWENS SCHOLARSHIP   
- MARCIA S. MORRILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 
- RALPH & MARGARET SEIFERT SCHOLARSHIP    

CONTACT YOUR COUNSELOR'S OFFICE FOR APPLICATION INFORMATION. DEADLINE - TBA

MARY ELIZABETH PATTERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Southwestern High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend a four year college or university; and 3) pursuing a degree in education.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: GPA, class rank, and extracurricular activities and achievements

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,100 | 1 scholarship



MAYOR DAMON WELCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 



ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) have a weighted GPA of 4.0 or below.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Community service, leadership activities, citizenship, essay, letters of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) essay of up to 500 words on servant leadership and how the student has/will demonstrate(d) this in their life; and 2) 2 letters of recommendation (one from a teacher or counselor, and one from a source outside of the school system knowledgeable of the applicant's service and leadership record)

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: TBD | 1 scholarship

KEY:  CA of Madison  Madison HS  Shawe HS  Southwestern HS  Adult Learners
 Jennings Co. HS  New Washington HS  Trimble Co. HS  FAFSA SAI Required

MCHS CLASS OF 1966 SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) have a GPA of 2.5 or higher.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,400 | 1 scholarship

NATHAN WILSON MEMORIAL MATHEMATICS SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Aptitude and achievement in mathematics and financial need

NO APPLICATION REQUIRED

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$3,300 | 1 scholarship

NORMA A. CULL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) planning to pursue a degree in journalism, communications, mass media, multi-media journalism, broadcasting, digital media, or English.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Participation in school publications and other media activities, community service, and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,600 | 1 scholarship

RAINBOW YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Creative expression submission and letters of recommendation. Financial need will be considered in the event of a tie.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 1) Creative expression submission (ex: essay, short fiction, poetry, artwork, video, song, etc.) demonstrating a dedication/commitment to the interests of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community; 2) 2 letters of recommendation (one from a within the student's school system (counselor, teacher, etc.) and one from a source outside of the student's school system); and 3) FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: TBD | 1 scholarship - Applicants may choose to be anonymous. No identifying information would be presented to the review committee and no public recognition would be made of the selected winner.

RALPH & ROBYN JONES FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; **3) have a GPA of 3.7 and BELOW; and 4) have a family Adjusted Gross Income of \$44,000 to \$74,000 per year.**

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS OR STUDENTS RECEIVING OTHER FULL-TUITION AWARDS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need. Applicants with higher incomes than the eligibility range may be considered if extraordinary financial need can be demonstrated.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$2,200 | Multiple scholarships may be awarded

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 Jennings Co. HS  New Washington HS  Trimble Co. HS  FAFSA SAI Required

SHARON THOM ALCORN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) planning to pursue a degree in education.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need. Preference will be given to students who are interested in teaching English.

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,700 | 1 scholarship

TERRI NIGHBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be a graduating senior of Madison Consolidated High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited four year college or university; and 3) planning to pursue a degree in nursing.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,100 | 1 scholarship

THOMAS D. CRAFT, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university; and 3) have a GPA of 3.0 and above.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement, community service, demonstration of good citizenship, and letters of recommendation

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: 2 letters of recommendation (one from a teacher, and one from a source outside of the Madison Consolidated School system)

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

TIFFANY LEE CARTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and **2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Essay

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Essay of up to 500 words about cystic fibrosis and/or the importance of organ donation

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

TROY ALLEN PYLES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of Madison Consolidated High School; and 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) has an unweighted GPA of 3.8 and below; and 4) participated in the performing arts (band/color guard, choir, and/or theatre) for at least four semesters during high school.**

STUDENTS RECEIVING ANY TYPE OF FULL-TUITION AWARDS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement. Preference given to students who participated in band/color guard.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,500 | 1 scholarship

THE WOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP     

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must: 1) be graduating seniors of any accredited Jefferson County, Indiana High School; 2) be accepted into and planning to attend any accredited two or four year college or university, vocational or trade school; and **3) live in the Ryker's Ridge school/community district.**

CRITERIA EVALUATED: Academic achievement and financial need

REQUIRED SUPPORTING MATERIALS: FAFSA SAI PDF upload

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 | 1 scholarship

LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

For Jefferson County, Indiana, there is one (1) four-year, full-tuition scholarship available, and includes a \$900 yearly stipend for required books and equipment to an Indiana nonprofit college or university. The remaining selected finalists for the scholarship will each receive a \$1,500 Scholar Award from the Community Foundation. The annual online application period is from July-August, with the winner announced in December.

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants must:

- 1) reside in Jefferson County, Indiana;
- 2) attend an accredited high school located within Jefferson County, Indiana (accredited by the State Board of Education or a national or regional accreditation agency recognized by the State Board of Education);
- 3) be in the top 10% of their graduating class (minimum three per school);
- 4) graduate from an accredited Indiana high school by June 30, 2024;
- 5) intend to pursue a full-time baccalaureate degree at an accredited Indiana public or private nonprofit college or university;
- 6) have two letters of recommendation - one from a teacher; one from a source outside of the applicant's school system, such as an employer, volunteer coordinator, church leader, 4-H leader, etc.
- 7) complete the online application provided by the Community Foundation

Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc. (ICI) administers the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program statewide. ICI is a nonprofit corporation that represents 29 regionally accredited degree granting, nonprofit, private colleges and universities in the state. The scholarships are a result of a statewide Lilly Endowment initiative to: 1) help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana; 2) increase awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundations can play in their communities; and 3) encourage and support the efforts of current and past Lilly Endowment Community Scholars to engage with each other and with Indiana business, governmental, educational, nonprofit and civic leaders to improve the quality of life in Indiana generally and in local communities in the state.

CRITERIA EVALUATED DURING BLIND REVIEW PROCESS:

- 1) Academic performance, including rank, coursework, and standardized test scores (encouraged if available but not required)
- 2) Good character, the capacity to make a meaningful contribution to society through work/activity involvement, and the ability to represent well the Community Foundation of Madison & Jefferson County, Inc. and the Jefferson County community
- 3) Letters of Recommendation
- 4) Selected Finalists will write a timed essay and participate in an interview



“I am so grateful to the Community Foundation, Lilly Endowment, and everyone in this process. This has opened up a lot of new opportunities for me that wouldn't be possible otherwise. I could not be more honored to have been selected and to have been a part of a great group of finalists.”

*-- John Mitchell Adams,
2023 Jefferson County
Lilly Endowment Community Scholar*



AND LET US WORK FOR OUR OWN AND EVERYONE'S PROSPERITY.

Arvin Sango, Inc. is proud to be a supporter of many programs and projects in Jefferson County. It is important for us to give back to the community in which our team members live, work, and play.

We wish the best of luck to the students in Jefferson County's Class of 2024!



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Where do I find out about scholarships? What financial aid is available in Indiana? How can I find out more about colleges I might be interested in? Here are some great places to start in your scholarship and school search:

COLLEGE BOARD - COLLEGEBOARD.ORG

Come to register for the SAT, but stay for other valuable college resources

EDUCATION QUEST FOUNDATION - EDUCATIONQUEST.ORG

College planning resources, including the online College Funding Estimator

FEDERAL STUDENT AID - STUDENTAID.GOV

Portal to complete the FAFSA required for most scholarships

INDEPENDENT COLLEGES OF INDIANA - ICINDIANA.ORG

One spot to find out more about Indiana's private and nonprofit colleges/universities

INDIANA CAREER EXPLORER - INDIANACAREEREXPLORER.COM

Explore careers and find the latest hot jobs in the state

INDIANA FINANCIAL AID - IN.GOV/CHE/STATE-FINANCIAL-AID

Financial aid offered by the state of Indiana, including programs like 21st Century Scholars, grants, and more

INVESTED - INVESTEDINDIANA.ORG

Financial literacy and information on lending for Hoosier college students

LEARN MORE INDIANA - LEARNMOREINDIANA.ORG

Tons of resources on direction for colleges and careers

NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE - WEB3.NCAA.ORG/ECWR3/

For athletes interested in participating in Division I, II, or III sports

NICHE - NICHE.COM

Find the best college fit from undergrad to grad school

ROAD 2 COLLEGE - ROAD2COLLEGE.COM

Free resources for planning your college path

ONLINE RESOURCES



PUTTING YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD

Tips on Applying for Community Foundation Scholarships

The Community Foundation operates two scholarship cycles: The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship from July 1 to mid-August and the general scholarship cycle from December 1 to February 9, 2024.

Applications are completed online via the link provided on the www.cfmjc.org Scholarship page. After clicking the Scholarship link, set up an account with an email address that you monitor frequently and a password on the [Community Force](#) application platform. You can save your progress as you go, but ALL parts of the application must be completed in order to submit before the deadline.

Below are some tips for making your application stand out:

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS

- Read each section carefully and complete as directed.
- Proofread each section carefully; don't omit any parts.
- Hit the SUBMIT button; your application is not complete until you receive confirmation!

FILL OUT THE APPLICATION

- Gather necessary information like contact information and financial data.
- Complete your FAFSA; the majority of scholarships require this, even if you get no federal aid.
- Identify recommenders and get their contact information.
- Create an activity resume (see more information on pages 23 & 24).
- Hang on to your password and email for logging in; you will need it again in the spring if you win an award.
- Be sure to look for emails from admin@communityforce.com in your Inbox or Spam/Junk folder.

ESSAYS

- A number of scholarships require you to write a short essay. Don't avoid a potential scholarship because of this requirement. An extra hour or two of work is well worth the effort if you win!
- When you write the essay, think about what can make you stand out. Don't just write what you think the reviewer wants to hear. Everyone else is doing that!
- Be sure to revise and edit your essay before you submit it. Take advantage of feedback and revisions from a trusted editor.
- Proofread, proofread, proofread!

REFERENCES/LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- Choose your references wisely. Who would be most likely to give you a strong recommendation? Who knows your skills and abilities best?
- Ask your recommenders ahead of time if they will be willing to help you. Be sure to get accurate contact information and make sure you type their email correctly in the appropriate request box.
- Let your recommenders know to look in their Inbox or Spam/Junk folder for your request email from the email address admin@communityforce.com.
- Give your recommenders plenty of time to complete their tasks. Let them know what you need from them, and what they can expect. Don't wait until the last minute!
- Check your application to make sure that the information is submitted on your behalf. A gentle reminder is appropriate if they forget.
- Be sure to thank your recommenders for their help!

ACTIVITY RESUME

Each application requires an activities resume. This is much like a job resume that outlines your experiences. You may use any format, but make sure it is clear and readable (and include dates or years). You may wish to provide information for such activities as:

- Academic information - GPA, class rank, test scores, course selection, etc.
- Clubs and school activities - athletics, school leadership, academic teams, etc.
- Outside activities - 4-H, church, service groups, etc.
- Employment history
- Volunteer activities
- Honors and awards
- Other unique information

Check out our example resume on the next page to help get you started!

TIME MANAGEMENT

Nothing is more important in the scholarship process than completing the application thoroughly and on time. Be sure to begin the process well before the deadline and set up a schedule to work on various aspects as you go. Check in with your counselor and recommenders as needed, giving them plenty of time to complete the process. Your counselors especially will be working on things for a number of students. Be considerate of their time.

As you work, be sure to SAVE regularly. Review and edit each section carefully before you hit the SUBMIT button. Do not wait until the last day to complete your application. If you run into an issue (even if your computer crashes and it's not your fault) you will not be considered for any awards if you miss the deadline. THINK AHEAD!

BUILDING YOUR RESUME

Another Way to Stand Out in the Crowd

Creating a simple, one-page resume is a great way to quickly and easily share with scholarship reviewers the activities you have been involved in, the leadership positions you have held, any work experience you may have, and any honors or awards you have received. Building a resume for your scholarship applications is good practice for when you'll need to have a resume as you enter the workforce.

As you type your resume, remember these things:

- Use a standard font like Arial or Times New Roman at either 11 or 12 font size
- Keep your paragraph formatting and fonts consistent
- Use strong action verbs in a short overview of your activity/experience
- Proofread the entire document for spelling and proper verb tense usage

Here's an example resume template you can use as you prepare your document for our scholarship applications!

Sammi Student
123 ABC Drive
Anytown, USA 12345

Education
Current High School: Anytown High School, Anytown, USA 12345
Diploma: Academic Honors Diploma
Current GPA: 3.8 (unweighted)
Expected Graduation Date: June 2024

Academic & Extracurricular Activities
4-H - Grades 3-present (Jr. Leader - Grades 10, 11, & 12)
- Completed several projects each year, receiving many premium awards
Drama Club - Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12 (President - Grade 12)
- Acted in 8 school productions, holding lead roles in Grades 11 and 12
National Honor Society - Grades 11 & 12
- Led the annual Toys for Tots drive in Grade 12
Anytown Church Youth Group - Grades 11 & 12
- Served on annual mission trip to Ecuador to help build homes
Junior Varsity Volleyball - Grades 9 & 10
- Contributed as team member, specializing as a middle-hitter

Work Experience
Hometown Burgers - May 2023 - Present
- Served customers by taking their orders, preparing food, and taking the food to their table

Honors, Achievements, & Other Information
4-H Tenure Award - Grade 12
Model UN Conference Nominee - Grade 11
Junior Varsity Volleyball Mental Attitude Award - Grade 10

THE IMPORTANCE OF THANK YOU NOTES!



The Community Foundation of Madison & Jefferson County has been fortunate to have many generous donors create over 60 scholarship opportunities for local students. The Foundation thanks these donors for their monetary gifts at the time of the scholarship's creation, but the most important thank you that donors and their families can receive is from the winning student. They greatly appreciate thoughtful, hand-written thank you notes!

As you are writing your thank you note, in addition to expressing your appreciation for your scholarship, you may want to tell the donor/family a little more about yourself. You could tell them where you're going to school, your intended major/minor, and why this award is important to you.

One last thing - be sure to mail your thank you note as soon as you can after being awarded the scholarship!

Below is an example thank you note and addressed envelope to help you get started!



P.S. - It's also a great idea to send hand-written thank you notes to anyone who may have helped you with your application. While you've got your pen and cards out, send a thank you to your counselors and anyone who wrote a letter of recommendation for you!

INDIANA COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

As you're considering where you'd like to continue your education, you can take a look at our listing of college and universities right here in the State of Indiana. Here you will find whether they are a public or private institution, their approximate enrollment size, their athletic division, and an estimate of their yearly tuition costs (2023 figures; source: collegetuitioncompare.com).

We encourage you to visit any institution that you are interested in, whether they are in Indiana or across the nation. The most important thing is that you find a campus that not only fits your academic goals, but also your personality and personal goals!



ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Anderson
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,345
 TUITION/FEES: \$34,080
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Muncie
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 20,319
 TUITION/FEES: \$10,440
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

BETHEL UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Mishawaka
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 2,152
 TUITION/FEES: \$32,040
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

BUTLER UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Indianapolis
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 5,559
 TUITION/FEES: \$44,460
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

CALUMET COLLEGE OF ST. JOSEPH

LOCATION: Whiting
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 638
 TUITION/FEES: \$21,650
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Greencastle
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,724
 TUITION/FEES: \$55,410
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

EARLHAM COLLEGE

LOCATION: Richmond
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 736
 TUITION/FEES: \$50,058
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

FRANKLIN COLLEGE

LOCATION: Franklin
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 962
 TUITION/FEES: \$36,136
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

GOSHEN COLLEGE

LOCATION: Goshen
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 811
 TUITION/FEES: \$36,660
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

GRACE COLLEGE

LOCATION: Winona Lake
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,919
 TUITION/FEES: \$28,192
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

HANOVER COLLEGE

LOCATION: Hanover
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,083
 TUITION/FEES: \$41,214
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

HOLY CROSS COLLEGE

LOCATION: Notre Dame
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 468
 TUITION/FEES: \$34,800
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Huntington
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,350
 TUITION/FEES: \$28,830
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

INDIANA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

LOCATION: Fort Wayne
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 2,450
 TUITION/FEES: \$29,560
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Terre Haute
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 9,459
 TUITION/FEES: \$9,732
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Bloomington
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 45,328
 TUITION/FEES: \$11,447
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Marion
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 2,862
 TUITION/FEES: \$29,684
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IU EAST

LOCATION: Richmond
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 3,111
 TUITION/FEES: \$7,941
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IU KOKOMO

LOCATION: Kokomo
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 2,995
 TUITION/FEES: \$7,941
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IU NORTHWEST

LOCATION: Gary
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 3,460
 TUITION/FEES: \$7,941
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IU SOUTH BEND

LOCATION: South Bend
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 4,449
 TUITION/FEES: \$7,941
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IU SOUTHEAST

LOCATION: New Albany
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 4,051
 TUITION/FEES: \$7,941
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

IUPUI

LOCATION: Indianapolis
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 27,690
 TUITION/FEES: \$10,144
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

LOCATION: various, includes Madison
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 86,100
 TUITION/FEES: \$4,637
 ATHLETICS: none

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: North Manchester
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 1,303
 TUITION/FEES: \$35,772
 ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

MARIAN UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Indianapolis
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 4,071
 TUITION/FEES: \$37,600
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

MARTIN UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Indianapolis
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 231
 TUITION/FEES: \$13,200
 ATHLETICS: none

OAKLAND CITY UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Oakland City
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
 ENROLLMENT: 867
 TUITION/FEES: \$26,400
 ATHLETICS: NAIA

PURDUE POLYTECHNIC

LOCATION: various, includes New Albany
 INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
 ENROLLMENT: 5,148
 TUITION/FEES: \$6,518
 ATHLETICS: none

INDIANA COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: West Lafayette
INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
ENROLLMENT: 50,344
TUITION/FEES: \$9,992
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE

LOCATION: Fort Wayne
INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
ENROLLMENT: 8,298
TUITION/FEES: \$8,985
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST

LOCATION: Calumet
INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
ENROLLMENT: 8,794
TUITION/FEES: \$7,803
ATHLETICS: NCAA DII

ROSE HULMAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

LOCATION: Terre Haute
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 2,101
TUITION/FEES: \$52,119
ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

ST. MARY-OF-THE-WOODS COLLEGE

LOCATION: St. Mary of the Woods
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 1,127
TUITION/FEES: \$31,750
ATHLETICS: NAIA

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

LOCATION: Notre Dame
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 1,527
TUITION/FEES: \$49,930
ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Upland
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 1,982
TUITION/FEES: \$37,476
ATHLETICS: NAIA

TRINE UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Angola
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 4,024
TUITION/FEES: \$34,890
ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII

UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE

LOCATION: Evansville
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 2,078
TUITION/FEES: \$41,336
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

LOCATION: Indianapolis
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 5,325
TUITION/FEES: \$34,972
ATHLETICS: NCAA DII

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

LOCATION: Notre Dame
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 13,139
TUITION/FEES: \$60,301
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

LOCATION: Evansville
INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
ENROLLMENT: 9,756
TUITION/FEES: \$9,695
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS

LOCATION: Fort Wayne
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 2,196
TUITION/FEES: \$34,050
ATHLETICS: NAIA

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Valparaiso
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 2,924
TUITION/FEES: \$44,796
ATHLETICS: NCAA DI

VINCENNES UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Vincennes
INSTITUTION TYPE: Public
ENROLLMENT: 16,389
TUITION/FEES: \$6,654
ATHLETICS: NJCAA

WABASH COLLEGE

LOCATION: Crawfordsville
INSTITUTION TYPE: Private
ENROLLMENT: 840
TUITION/FEES: \$47,475
ATHLETICS: NCAA DIII



PAYING FOR COLLEGE



Scholarships are helpful, but many are for only the first year. What do I really need to know about how to finance my education?

What does college really cost?

The most common costs for most colleges include:

- Tuition - cost of classes
- Room - cost of dorm or housing
- Board - meal plan
- Fees - include technology, supplies, etc. and varies by major

Check out a school's website to see its cost. The good news is that most students don't pay the "sticker price."

Why are state schools so much less expensive?

These schools are supported by the state government, allowing a built-in scholarship for residents. Out-of-state students often pay much more. But, this doesn't mean that private schools are more costly. Scholarships and aid given by private colleges often makes up for the difference in out-of-pocket costs.

How much debt might I expect?

For students with debt leaving a four-year institution in 2023, the average was over \$37,000.

What types of aid are available?

Federal/State:	Institutional Aid:	Private:
- Grants (not repaid)	- Usually grants	- Scholarships (like those from the Community Foundation)
- Loans (repaid with interest after leaving school)	- Most likely offered by private colleges	- Loans (often have higher repayment costs than government loans)
- Work Study (on-campus job with a paycheck)		

Isn't it better to just live at home and commute?

Not always. Remember that you are still going to need to eat (board), and the cost of maintaining a car takes up a lot of the savings. Considering the extra time needed to commute and the experiences you miss by not living on campus, you might want to reconsider.

There is a lot to learn about paying for college - and everyone's story is different. Do your research, take advantage of resources, check in with your counselor, and coordinate with your college's Financial Aid Office. Don't forget to fill out the FAFSA!

WHAT'S NEXT?

Now that you're a senior, there's a lot more to plan for than just Prom and Pep Rallies. Here are some important things to be working on and thinking about:

CHOOSE YOUR COLLEGE

- **What do you want?** Do you prefer a large or small campus? Close to home or far away? Do you have a major in mind? What "extras" are important? Check out the websites of many different schools before you narrow your list. Something may surprise you!
- **Make some visits.** Go to several campuses and meet with the Admissions folks. Sit in on a class, eat lunch with some students, and stay overnight when possible. Get the feel for what it means to be a student on this campus. Be sure to visit more than one place. How do you know a spot is right unless you have something to compare?
- **Don't let money limit you.** Sticker shock for college is real, but luckily most people won't pay the full amount. In addition to Community Foundation Scholarships, there are lots of other sources to lessen the amount you will pay. File your FAFSA, apply for all available scholarships, and see what grants you will receive from the college itself.

APPLICATIONS

- **Get started.** Applications for college admission and applications for scholarships all have deadlines. Don't miss out! Get going on your applications and keep a record of what you are doing and when.
- **Educate yourself.** Learn about all of the places you can go to earn money for college. Pay attention to announcements and make yourself a regular visitor to the Guidance Office. Your counselor is an amazing resource!
- **Don't skip essays or interviews.** Often students will avoid scholarship applications with these requirements, so this gives YOU a better chance. An extra hour or two of effort can end up earning you hundreds, even thousands of dollars!
- **Stand out.** Don't write lame essays! Ask yourself what you can do to separate yourself from the crowd. Tell a story that will engage your reviewer rather than rehashing your resume like everyone else.

MAKE SOME DECISIONS

- **Set a timeline.** Senior year is busy! Be sure to give yourself enough time to fill out applications, make visits, and meet deadlines.
- **Notify others.** Be sure to contact schools to let them know your plans once final decisions are made. Get deposits in on time.
- **Don't look back.** It's natural to wonder "What if" about a different decision, but you will be happy where you decide to be happy! Enjoy the ride!





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