



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Please read these instructions carefully before you begin filling out your scholarship application!

High School seniors may choose to apply for scholarships using our **Full** application or the **Short Form** application. The short form is designed for students who already know that they wish to pursue career training that will enable them to live, work, and prosper in our community. We value all students and their potential to contribute to the well-being of our community.

Please review the information below to determine which application is right for you. All students interested in any type of education after high school are encouraged to apply. We welcome your feedback.

FULL APPLICATION

*For many types of education after high school.
Requires essay and recommendation letters.*

SHORT FORM APPLICATION

*For career training programs only.
No essay or recommendation letters required.*

SHORT FORM APPLICATION - For Career Training Scholarships Only



- Submitting the full application allows students to be considered for a variety of scholarships for many types of education, including four-year and two-year degrees AND career training programs. Students are matched to awards based on donor criteria. Some awards are more flexible than others.
- If you submit this application, you will be considered first for a variety of awards, and then automatically considered for a career training scholarship, so it is possible to qualify for a broader range of awards.
- You may be awarded a career training scholarship if you don't qualify for other Foundation awards. You may easily decline the scholarship if it does not apply to your educational plans and goals.
- Submitting the Short Form Application means you only want to be considered for a scholarship to complete a certificate, diploma, licensure, associate's degree, or other specific career training program that takes two years or less. (*Not for students who plan to transfer to a 4-year school afterwards.*)
- This application has been abbreviated to focus on your education and work plans after high school. There is no essay and no teacher recommendations.
- If you are unsure whether you wish to pursue a career training program that takes two years or less to complete, we suggest that you use the full application and keep your options open. The full application is for all awards, including career training scholarships.



Questions?

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