2025 Scholarship Eligibility Checklist

The Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa administers over 140 scholarship funds, which generates over $700,000 in awards each year. The majority* of these scholarships use an online **COMMON APPLICATION.** Once you complete the common application, it is automatically matched to all scholarships for which you are eligible.

How do I know if there's a scholarship for me?

Good question! To help you determine if you're eligible, complete the following eligibility checklist. If you answer "yes" to _any_ question, there's at least one scholarship you are eligible for, and you should apply.
The deadline to apply is 8:00pm on March 12, 2025.

FOR STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL

☐ **Are you graduating from any of the following schools?**
AGWSR (Ackley), BCLUW (Conrad), Cedar Falls, Charles City, Clear Lake, Columbus (Waterloo), Don Bosco (Gilbertville), Dunkerton, Expo Alternative (Waterloo), Gladbrook-Reinbeck, Grundy Center, Hudson, Independence, Janesville, New Hampton, Nashua-Plainfield, North Tama, Pocahontas, Rockford, Tripoli, Union (LaPorte City), Valley Lutheran (Cedar Falls), Waterloo Christian, Waterloo East, Waterloo West

☐ **Are you graduating from any of the following schools and meet the specific requirement?**
AGWSR (Ackley), pursuing a degree in education, health or a STEM related field.
CAL (Latimer), pursuing a health or science-related degree
Central (Elkader), female
Clayton Ridge (Guttenberg), female
Clear Lake, plan to pursue an engineering or STEM related degree
Crestwood (Cresco), going to college in Iowa OR pursuing a degree in nursing
East Buchanan, in the top 50% of the class with notable financial need
Edgewood-Colesburg, female
Hampton-Dumont, pursuing a health or science-related degree
New Hampton, pursuing an engineering degree at Iowa State University
MFL MarMac (Monona), female
Oelwein, going to an Iowa college to pursue a degree in finance
Osage, going to college in Iowa
Postville, female
Riceville, going to college in Iowa
South Winneshiek, having participated in fine arts for at least four (4) semesters
Vinton-Shellsburg, going to college to pursue a degree in agriculture
Wapsie Valley, participated in FFA or agricultural education classes for two years and plan to pursue an agricultural-related degree
Waverly-Shell Rock, having played a string instrument in your high school orchestra
West Fork (Sheffield), pursuing a health or science-related degree

☐ **Are you graduating from a high school in Black Hawk County and have veterans in your family?**

☐ **Will you be graduating with a GPA of 3.75 or higher from a high school in any of the following counties, plus have notable financial need?**
Allamakee, Bremer, Buchanan, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Grundy, Howard or Winneshiek

☐ **Will you be graduating from any of these high schools having participated in cross country (or long-distance track) and have demonstrated faith in Jesus?**

Aplington-Parkersburg, Denver, Dike-New Hartford, Jesup, Janesville, Sumner-Fredericksburg, Waverly-Shell Rock, Wapsie Valley (Fairbank)

☐ **Are you African American graduating from a Des Moines High School?**

☐ **Are you Native American graduating from an Iowa high school?**

☐ **Are you pursuing a computer science, technology or related degree at UNI, ISU or Hawkeye Community College?**

☐ **Will you be going to college for a degree in nursing?**

☐ **Does your parent work at the Kirk Gross Company?**

☐ **Are you a female pursuing an engineering, math, or chemistry degree, and have a parent working at Cambrex Charles City?**

☐ **Have you attended, past or recently, the Bremwood Residential Treatment Program in Waverly?**

☐ **Do you live in Buchanan County, been employed during high school, and have a notable financial need?**

* * * If you answered "yes" to any above, begin applying! * * *
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FOR THOSE ALREADY GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL

☐ **Are you a graduate from any of the following schools and meet the specific requirement?**
Central (Elkader), female
Charles City, female and pursuing a degree in engineering, math, or chemistry
Clayton Ridge (Guttenberg), female
Edgewood-Colesburg, female
MFL MarMac (Monona), female
Postville, female
Rockford, female and pursuing a degree in engineering, math, or chemistry

☐ **Are you a recipient of one of the following scholarships from the Community Foundation and still in college?**
Harold and Elsie Koob, Hieber Family Education, Laura Stolz Memorial, Perry K. Miller Agricultural, Robert A. Sloan, Sinnott Family, OR Stitchman Education

☐ **Are you a graduate of a Black Hawk County high school going to any of the following colleges?**
Allen College, Hawkeye Community College, University of Northern Iowa, or any Evangelical Lutheran Church of America Seminary

☐ **Are you a resident of Black Hawk County and attending Hawkeye Community College?**

☐ **Are you an Iowa high school graduate attending either UNI, ISU, or Hawkeye Community College and pursuing an undergraduate degree in computer science, technology or related degree?**

☐ **Are you a woman under the age of 35 who graduated from a Black Hawk County high school, but have not yet attended college?**

☐ **Are you a female from Iowa and completed as least one semester of community college and attending a 4-year college this fall? Preference given to students who reside (or attended high school) in the following counties:**
Butler, Cerro Gordo, Emmet, Floyd, Franklin, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Humboldt, Kossuth, Webster, Winnebago, Worth, and Wright

For more information, contact Director of Scholarship Impact, Staci Mueller at 319-243-1359 or smueller@cfneia.org
*Details on how to apply to our other scholarships can be found at http://cfneia.org/externalscholarships

☐ **Are you an Iowa high school graduate pursuing a nursing degree?**

☐ **Are you an Iowa high school graduate attending any Iowa university, college, or community college pursuing a degree in Natural Resources and Conservation or a related field?**

☐ **Are you a graduate from a high school in Black Hawk County and have veterans in your family?**

☐ **Does your parent work at the Kirk Gross Company?**

☐ **Are employed by the Palo Alto County Health System and pursuing a health-related degree?**

☐ **Are you female, employed by Cambrex Charles City and pursuing an engineering, math, or chemistry degree?**

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