

# 2025-2026 Local and Outside Scholarship List

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More information and deadlines are available in Naviance.

**SCHOLARSHIPS ARE LISTED BY DEADLINES.** If a scholarship has a deadline date from last year, that scholarship has not yet been updated with this year's scholarship information. Check back often for updates.

# **Scholarship Search Tips:**

- How To Find and Apply For Scholarships for College
- Sallie Mae: How to get scholarship money for college
- Sallie Mae: Scholarship Search Tips for Parents
- Check with your school Guidance Office.
- Check with your hometown public library.
- Check the website of the colleges you are applying to.

# Scholarship Search Websites and/or Apps:

(Create accounts so that you receive links to scholarships that fit your criteria.)

- Best Scholarship Websites: Top 13 places to find college scholarships
- Going Merry
- Fastweb
- <u>Scholly</u>

- <u>Scholarships.com</u>
- College Board's Big Future
- Cappex
- Niche Find College Scholarships

#### **Resource Center and Counsel for Financial Aid:**

- College Now Greater Cleveland Organization
- collegenowgc.org
- 216-241-5587

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## **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

# **Akron Community Foundation Scholarship Opportunities**

They offer a convenient and searchable directory of scholarship opportunities. When you visit <u>akroncf.org/Students</u>, you can search for a local scholarship fund by area of interest, field of study, school, or another specific attribute, allowing students to locate relevant opportunities more quickly.

• Applications: <u>akroncf.org/Students</u>

• **Deadline:** Varies by scholarship.

#### **Akron Urban League Scholars Academy**

The Scholars Academy combines the Annual Scholarship Program, networking, and college prep sessions. Students expand their college readiness skills with personalized development and interactive learning experiences.

- Eligibility: Grades 9-12, Summit County Resident, minimum 2.5 GPA
- **Benefits:** Guaranteed scholarship dollars, potential internships with Akron employers, and engaging college readiness experiences.
- Information & Application: akronurbanleague.org/what-we-do/education-programs/scholarship-program/

# Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Program

Each year, the DAR awards over \$150,000 through more than 25 scholarships for outstanding academic achievements. DAR scholarships are offered for a wide range of disciplines, including history, law, medicine, nursing, music, education, and many more. Visit the website for details on specific scholarships.

- Eligibility: Each DAR scholarship has different requirements and procedures
- Applications: dar.org/national-society/scholarship
- **Deadline:** January 1, 2026

# **Jackie Robinson Scholarship Foundation**

This scholarship is for minority high school seniors who plan to attend an accredited four-year college or university in the United States.

- **Eligibility:** Shows leadership potential, demonstrates a dedication to community service, has evidence of financial need, is a United States citizen, and has a minimum SAT score of 1000 combined on the math and critical reading sections or a composite ACT score of 21.
- Application: jackierobinson.org/apply/
- **Deadline:** January 7, 2026

### 2025-2026 Cleveland State University Visual Art Merit Scholarship

Approximately \$40,000 in scholarships is awarded based on artistic Merit.

- Eligibility: Full-time undergraduate Art major. Required minimum 2.5 GPA overall and minimum 3.0 GPA in Art.
- Information & Application: artsandsciences.csuohio.edu/art/artscholarships.
- **Deadline:** January 15, 2026

# **Goodyear STEM Day Scholarship**

Scholarships of \$500-\$ 2,500 will be awarded.

- **Eligibility:** Any high school senior with a 3.0+ GPA who plans to pursue (or has already been accepted into) an engineering program or any STEM discipline at an accredited college or university.
- Application: stemcareerday.goodyear.com/scholarship-details
- Deadline: January 16, 2026 Must attend Goodyear STEM Day on February 21, 2026

# The University of Akron Myers School of Art Portfolio Day & Open House

Portfolio Review Day at The University of Akron's Myers School of Art provides students the opportunity to be considered for scholarships for the 2025-2026 academic year, based solely on the quality of their portfolio. Students should submit 5-10 of their strongest works in any medium, along with an unofficial transcript. While a range of media is welcome, priority should be given to presenting the most accomplished and thoughtfully selected work.

- Register: Portfolio Review Day
- Event Day: January 24, 2026

#### Choose Ohio First-STEM Scholarship - The University of Akron

The University of Akron offers STEM Scholars scholarships of up to \$5,200 per year for students majoring in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics. This renewable scholarship is available for up to four years, requiring a minimum GPA of 3.0 for renewal and progress toward degree completion.

- Application: <u>uakron.edu/oars/cof</u>
- **Deadline:** January 31, 2026

#### Wings of Eagles Scholarship

The Ohio State Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) awards Wings of Eagles Scholarships each year. Applicants must be legal residents of Ohio. Awards are based on academic excellence and character. All applicants must be sponsored by an Ohio DAR chapter.

• Application: dar.org/outreach/education/scholarships

• **Deadline:** January 31, 2026

#### Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Scholarship

The Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Scholarship Applications are open for any student who has participated in any JA programming, now or in the past. There are financial award opportunities available for graduating seniors entering the workforce, trade schools, or continuing their education at 2- and 4-year institutions of higher learning. Students do not need to participate in a JA program this year. Students who have participated in a JA program at any time during their schooling are eligible.

• Application: jaofnco.ja.org/scholarship/scholarships

• **Deadline:** February 17, 2026

# Balanced Man Scholarships by Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity

The \$1,000 Balanced Man Scholarships are available at Cleveland State University. Recipients are not required to join Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

• Eligibility: Awarded to male students who exhibit academic excellence, demonstrate leadership skills, and commit to their health and well-being. Minimum 3.0 GPA.

Application: csuohio.edu/financial-aid/sigma-phi-epsilon-balanced-man-scholarship

• **Deadline:** March 1, 2026

#### **Kent State Scholarships**

Scholarships offered by Kent State University and other external scholarships are available to students attending KSU.

• Applications: <u>kent.edu/scholarships</u>

• **Deadline:** February 1, 2026 (December 1, 2025 for Honors College)

#### **Cleveland Cavaliers/Huntington Scholarship Program**

The Cavaliers and Huntington Bank will award ten Northeast Ohio high school seniors with a \$5,000 scholarship for college or trade school. Twenty semi-finalists will be interviewed, and ten will be awarded the scholarships.

• Eligibility: Graduating seniors must submit a 500-word essay, perform a high level of service in their communities, provide a high school transcript, ACT and/or SAT scores, and one letter of recommendation.

• Application: <a href="mailto:nba.com/cavaliers/community/scholarship-program">nba.com/cavaliers/community/scholarship-program</a>

• **Deadline:** February 6, 2026

# **HBCU Scholarship Program/Cavaliers Community Foundation**

The Cleveland Cavaliers Community Foundation will award five students each a \$10,000 stipend that can be applied to verifiable college-related expenses, including tuition, fees, books, and other related costs.

• Eligibility: Scholarships are awarded based on academic performance, outstanding community service, and need. Eligible applicants must be high school seniors committed to an accredited HBCU.

• Application: <a href="mailto:nba.com/cavaliers/community/scholarship-program">nba.com/cavaliers/community/scholarship-program</a>

• **Deadline:** February 6, 2026

#### **Ohio Oil and Gas Energy Education Foundation Scholarship**

\$1,000 renewable scholarship available for students with a career goal in the crude oil and natural gas industry.

- Eligibility: Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Need two letters of recommendation and a 250-word essay describing how you would use your degree to help the oil and gas industry.
- Application: Available in the Guidance Office or at <u>oogeep.org</u>
- **Deadline:** March 1, 2026

#### Balanced Man Scholarships by Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity

The \$1,000 Balanced Man Scholarships are available at Cleveland State University. Applicant must attend Cleveland State. Any CSU major is acceptable. Recipients are not required to join Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, but must not be affiliated with another fraternity.

- **Eligibility:** Awarded to male students who exhibit academic excellence, demonstrate leadership skills, and commit to their health and well-being. Minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Application: csuohio.edu/financial-aid/sigma-phi-epsilon-balanced-man-scholarship
- **Deadline:** March 1, 2026

# The Michael-Waly Community First Scholarship

Available for Hudson residents attending any school in the Northeast Ohio area. Must be of good character and have made a significant impact in another life in a positive way during high school (examples include, but are not limited to: bullying prevention, suicide prevention, eating disorder interventions, drug/alcohol interventions, etc.). Nominators can be a teacher, peer, parent, or the individual themselves. Complete the application form and write an essay on how the nominee impacted another life in a positive way.

• Application: hudsoncommunityfirst.com/michael-waly

• **Deadline:** March 20, 2026

# Horatio Alger Association Career & Technical Scholarship

Scholarships are awarded to students who have faced and overcome great obstacles in their lives, who wish to pursue a career or technical education at an accredited non-profit post-secondary institution in the United States.

- Eligibility: Exhibit commitment to complete a career or technical program (up to 2 years) at an accredited non-profit institution in the U.S. Must demonstrate critical financial need (eligible for Federal Pell grant via FAFSA) and perseverance in overcoming adversity. Minimum GPA 2.0.
- Application: scholars.horatioalger.org/about-our-scholarship-programs/technical/
- **Deadline:** Application is open from March 15 to June 15, 2026

# American Municipal Power (AMP) Lyle B. Wright Scholarship Program

AMP will award up to five one-time Lyle B. Wright Scholarship Awards of \$3,000 each. The applicant must be a student whose household receives electricity from an AMP member community. Nomination forms must be submitted by an AMP member electric utility and signed by a member municipal utility official.

- **Eligibility:** The applicant must be a graduating senior who has met all the basic requirements for college or technical school entrance and has a 3.0 GPA or higher.
- Application: amppartners.org/services/scholarship-programs/lyle-b-wright-scholarship-program-guidelines
- **Deadline:** July 1, 2026

#### Summit County Farm Bureau Robert H. Eckert Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship may be granted for a maximum of four years. The GPA must be maintained, and the application must be renewed.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be part of the Summit County Farm Bureau, or the Bureau's youth group, or have a parent member of a neighboring county bureau.
- Application: Summit County Farm Bureau Robert H. Eckart Memorial Scholarship
- **Deadline:** March 1, 2025

# Hudson Garden Club: Genevieve Jyurovat Scholarship

This Financial Aid Program was created by the Hudson Garden Club for the student who plans to study Horticulture or related subjects in the environmental sciences at a recognized center, school, or college for such study.

- Eligibility: Any Hudson resident who has graduated from Hudson High School, Western Reserve Academy, CVCA, or a similarly accredited institution is eligible to apply. To qualify, applicants must have a definite goal in mind, demonstrate high moral and academic standing, possess good character, and show financial need. Additionally, there should be a strong desire to succeed in the chosen field of environmental studies.
- Application: hudsongardenclub.org/scholarship-2/
- **Deadline:** March 12, 2025

#### **UCB Family Epilepsy Scholarship Program**

UCB awards 33 one-time scholarships to people living with epilepsy, their family members, and caregivers who are pursuing higher education. Thirty scholarships of up to \$5,000 are awarded to outstanding applicants who demonstrate academic and personal achievement. Additionally, two Epilepsy Leader Scholarships and one Joe D'Souza Memorial Scholarship, each valued at up to \$10,000, will be awarded to outstanding applicants.

• Application: epilepsy scholarship.com

• **Deadline:** March 31, 2025

# **Optimist Club of Strongsville Scholarship**

Scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,500 are awarded to residents of Strongsville based on financial need, academic achievement, and community citizenship.

Applications: Available in CVCA's Office of School and College Counseling

• **Deadline:** March 27, 2025

# **Cleveland Browns Foundation Marion Motley Scholarship**

College Now Greater Cleveland, in partnership with the Cleveland Browns, offers two four-year renewable scholarships of \$2,500 per year. The Marion Motley Scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors who plan to major in fields related to education or professional sports, including areas like accounting, business, communications, exercise science, finance, graphic design, human resources, information technology, journalism, kinesiology, marketing, public relations, or sports management.

Application: Cleveland Browns Foundation Marion Motley Scholarship

• **Deadline:** Applications will be open from early December to early March.

## Lebanese Syrian American Junior League Scholarship

The Lebanese Syrian American Junior League awards up to three \$ 1,000 college scholarships to academically outstanding young men and women of Lebanese or Syrian descent residing in the Greater Cleveland area. The student must be graduating in either the January or June class of this current school year with a "B" or better average.

• Information: <a href="lsail.org/scholarship">lsail.org/scholarship</a>

• Applications: Available in CVCA's Office of School and College Counseling

• **Deadline:** Applications are open from January 31 to March 31, 2026

#### Fields of Learning Scholarship

Fields of Learning holds an annual essay contest after the high school football season for 700 to 1500-word essays about something you learned related to high school football. Your story can come from many perspectives – not just as a player, but also as a cheerleader, band member, fan, or through the experience of a friend or relative. You might also write about how high school football affected your school or community in a way that ultimately influenced you. Five \$1,000 scholarships are available.

• Application: fieldsoflearning.org

• **Deadline:** March 31, 2026 (online submissions preferred)

# First Place Spiritwear Scholarship

The scholarship is open to all high school seniors in the United States who will be attending college in 2025 (community college or a 4-year university!) Applicants must write a short essay (300-500 words or more) to show how they demonstrate school spirit

• Application: 1stplacespiritwear.com/scholarship

• **Deadline:** May 1, 2026

#### **Abbott and Fenner Scholarship Program**

This is an essay contest with the winner receiving a \$1,000 scholarship. Students submit an essay describing their educational, career, and life goals, as well as their plan for achieving these goals. Applications must include their degree/major, as well as the reasons they selected it, and how this degree/major will help them achieve their goals.

• Application: abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm.

• **Deadline:** June 8, 2026

#### **AES Engineering Scholarship**

This scholarship is intended for future leaders across a wide spectrum of fields of study and is awarded on the basis of character, as determined by an evaluation of the essays submitted. This award is available to high school seniors and all students attending a post-secondary educational facility. Applicants are not required to take Engineering courses.

• Application: aesengineers.com/scholarships.php

• Deadline: October 8, 2026

#### **Mularcik Welding Scholarship for Summit County**

Applicants must be Summit County residents and either high school graduates or enrolled in a post-secondary program, college, or university in the U.S. pursuing a welding-related accreditation, certification, or degree. To apply, submit your transcript, two references, and a short essay answering the questions provided in the application.

Application: ofbf.org/foundation/scholarships/mularcik-welding-scholarship-summit-county/

• **Deadline:** March 31, 2025

#### **Women for Greater Akron Charities**

Three \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to a female resident of Summit, Medina, Portage, or Stark County based on volunteer service, academics (minimum 3.0 GPA), financial need, and will attend an Ohio college or university.

Application: Available from CVCA's Counseling Office or at Women for Great Akron Charities Scholarship

• **Deadline:** March 31, 2025

# **Ohio Gas Association Scholarship Foundation**

\$1,000 renewable scholarship available for students who plan to pursue a career in the natural gas industry or the following related majors: life sciences, engineering and technology, business, and liberal arts.

- Eligibility: Minimum 3.0 GPA; be an Ohio resident planning on attending an Ohio college, trade, or technical school; two letters of recommendation; a resume; SAT/ACT scores; and a 250-500 word essay
- Application: Available in the Guidance Office or at ohiogasassoc.org
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2025

#### State of Mind: Hudson Scholarship

State of Mind: Hudson is a nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness and reducing the stigma surrounding mental health issues in our community. They award two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors. Submit a recent transcript, one letter of recommendation, and a maximum 500-word essay.

• Application: State of Mind: Hudson - 2025 Scholarship Application

• **Deadline:** April 1, 2025

#### **Bath Volunteers for Merit Service Award**

Bath Volunteers for Service awards two or more \$1,000 cash awards and a Certificate of Commendation to graduating seniors who have demonstrated that volunteer service has become an integral part of their philosophy of life.

- Eligibility: Students residing within the Revere Local School District
- Applications: Available at CVCA's Guidance Office or at <u>Bath Volunteers for Service</u>
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2025

# **Bath Business Association Scholarship**

The Bath Business Association offers a \$500 scholarship to a graduating high school senior residing in Bath Township and planning to pursue further education in a business-related field.

- Eligibility: At least a 2.5 GPA. Extracurricular activities, community involvement, work experience, and financial need will also factor into the selection process.
- **Applications:** Available at CVCA's Guidance Office
- **Deadline:** April 3, 2025

#### **Summit County Retired Teachers Association Scholarship**

The Summit County Retired Teachers Association offers a scholarship to a student pursuing a degree in education.

- **Eligibility:** The applicant must graduate from high school with a 3.0 cumulative GPA. The application includes essay questions about why you wish to pursue a career in education.
- Application: <u>summitcountyrta.org/</u>

• **Deadline:** April 3, 2025

#### The Auxiliary of University Hospitals Scholarship Portage County

The Auxiliary awards two \$1,000 scholarships annually. The purpose of the Auxiliary scholarship is to provide monetary encouragement to high school graduating seniors going into the nursing field.

- Eligibility: Applicants must be residents of Portage County, eligible to receive a high school diploma with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, plan to study nursing, and have been accepted to an accredited two-year or four-year institution.
- Application: Available in CVCA's Office of School and College Counseling.

• **Deadline:** April 15, 2025

# **Summit County Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship**

The Summit County Sports Hall of Fame awards four \$1000 scholarships to Summit County senior student-athletes. Two scholarships will be awarded to student-athletes graduating from an Akron high school. Two scholarships are awarded to student-athletes from any high school in Summit County, including Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy.

• Application: <u>summitcountyshof.org/scholarship</u>

• **Deadline:** May 1, 2024

## **Barney Ellis Memorial Scholarship**

The qualities of sportsmanship, fair play, respect, and love of the sport are all taken into consideration for this scholarship. Four \$1,000 scholarships are offered.

- **Eligibility:** Applicant must be a high school senior in Summit County with at least two varsity letters in softball, a minimum GPA of 3.0, and plans to attend an accredited four-year college or university, community college, or trade school. For more information, contact <u>bfactor@neo.rr.com</u>.
- Application: See Jon Young or the CVCA Softball Coach

• **Deadline:** May 10, 2025

#### Ohio Newspapers Foundation Ohio High School Journalism Scholarship

The Ohio Newspapers Foundation awards a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior in Ohio who plans to major in a field relevant to the newspaper industry, particularly journalism, advertising, marketing, or a communication degree program at an accredited college or university in the United States.

• Eligibility: A Minimum 2.5 GPA

• Application: ohionews.org/scholarships

• **Deadline:** May 2025

# **Summit Athletic Running Club Scholarships**

A minimum of one student will be selected annually to receive a \$1,000 award, provided they submit written evidence of enrollment in a university or college. Winners will be announced by the beginning of July each year.

- Eligibility: All high school seniors residing in the Summit County area or high school seniors of SARC
  members residing outside of Summit County who demonstrate an interest and commitment to distance
  running. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Financial need is not a consideration.
- Application: Available in the Guidance Office or at <u>summitathletic.com/scholarship</u>

• **Deadline:** June 1, 2025

# **Metal Supermarkets Trade School Scholarships**

Metal Supermarkets awards four \$2,500 scholarships to students pursuing careers in the trades industries in Canada and the United States. Eligible applicants must be accepted to and attending a post-secondary trade school program.

- Application: metalsupermarkets.com/trade-school-scholarship/
- **Deadline:** June 27, 2025