

2026 Mayor's Scholarship Instructions:

Use the application form in this packet to apply for any of the Scholarships listed. **Please read the instructions very carefully**, and apply for those for which you qualify. If you are uncertain, fill in /mark, the box and we will determine if you qualify. You will only need to fill out **one** application, **no matter how many scholarships you are interested in**. Please mark **all** scholarships that you wish to be considered for.

Scholarships are available in 2 broad categories; *General* and *Field of Study*. **Please read the descriptions carefully, and be sure to apply for all scholarships for which you are qualified!** Remember - you will not be considered for a particular scholarship unless you check the box for that scholarship.

All applicants must reside in the Pinconning Area School district at the time the application is submitted; however, most scholarships do not require the student to attend Pinconning High School. All applicants must be seniors and plan to attend a college/ university or trade school for the fall semester **full time**. **The students have to remain full time throughout the scholarship award. If they do not attend full time, the scholarship will be awarded to a runner up.** Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA to receive other disbursements.

Please note that the **application deadline is March 16, 2026**. Incomplete or faxed applications will not be considered. Make sure your application and any required documents are attached and submitted to the Pinconning Area High School Counseling Office on or before the deadline. No late applications will be accepted.

The scholarships are presented to the recipients in May of each year. This year's awards banquet will be held on Friday, May 1, at the Cheese House Banquet Hall, located at 770 E Pinconning Road. The 2026 school year marks our 30th anniversary; we are celebrating over \$100,000.00 in scholarships awarded ranging from \$200 and up! **We encourage recipients to attend, so that they can accept their scholarships from the scholarship donors in person.** The recipient will be admitted free, along with 1 (one) guest. Additional tickets may be purchased at Independent Bank (Pinconning), or the Administration Office at the school. The attire for this evening is business casual.

Checks will be mailed to the students in August when they provide their schedule for the fall semester to a board member contact*. The remaining half will be mailed when the student provides a schedule of their winter classes, along with qualifying GPA results from the 1st semester.

In the event the recipient does not maintain the required minimum GPA, or is not enrolled full time, they will forfeit their scholarship.

If you are attending college out of state, you may email your grades & schedule.

If you have any questions regarding the criteria or qualifications for scholarships, please contact Connie Pierson at 989-233-8455 or Julie Whyte in the Pinconning High School Counseling Office.

Scholarship award rules and regulations

The Mayor's Scholarship fund awards scholarships to candidates with these minimum requirements:

Candidates must be a current high school senior, meeting senior requirements, and enrolled in a post-secondary school or advanced education.

Candidates must be able to enroll in the next available term after high school graduation.

Candidates must be a high school senior who lives in the Pinconning Area School District.

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of scholastic achievement, future career goals, community involvement, and leadership abilities, in addition to other requirements as specified by each different scholarship type.

It is the intention of the Mayor's Scholarship Board to split the scholarship into two equal payments to the selected candidate, one for each enrolled semester in the post-secondary school. Should the winner not enroll in the ensuing term in school, they will not qualify for the second payment of the scholarship and forfeit the awarded funds.

The board recognizes that many scholarships only pay for selective expenses. We understand that additional costs arise with attending a school of post-secondary education; therefore, we hope to help fill any deficiencies.

In the event the selected candidate does not accept the scholarship awarded or does not qualify for any reason after the winners are announced the selection committee will strive to award the scholarship to the next highest candidate in order, when possible.

With each application, please submit:

1. An official transcript of grades
2. A one-page letter from a teacher or counselor
3. Applicants' activities and leadership record
4. One additional letter from someone other than a family member; an employer, teacher, pastor or friend, etc.
5. A one-page autobiographical statement prepared by the applicant showing date of birth, schools attended, employment, school & outside activities, accomplishments, family background, financial need, hobbies, and a brief description of why you feel you deserve the scholarship.

MAYOR'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND
APPLICATION FORM 2026

Student Name _____

Address _____ City: _____

Student's Telephone _____

School Address _____

Parents' Names _____

Principal's Name _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____

GPA _____

Parent(s) / Spouse's Occupation(s) _____

Number of Children in Family _____

Gross Family Income \$ _____

Other Scholarships received, anticipated, and/or applied for:

Intended Field of Study _____

College Attending (if known) _____

***This form must be filled out in its entirety to be considered for the
Mayor's Scholarship Fund scholarships.***

Please return this Application Form,
along with required attachments, to:

***Counseling Office
Pinconning Area High School
605 W. Fifth St.
Pinconning, MI 48650***

MAYOR'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2026

General Scholarships

MAYOR'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mayor's Scholarship; established in 1996 by Tony Pawelski. **Criteria:** Grade point average of 2.5, financial need, leadership ability. Submit **all** documents stated in the instructions. **General Education course of study required.** The Mayor's Scholarship is for \$1,000.00 and is paid over two (2) semesters.. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN TRIBE

Scholarship was set up by Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. **Criteria:** 2.5 GPA, financial need, leadership ability and career goals. **This scholarship is open to students who wish to further their education in various areas of study.** Submit all documents stated in the instructions. This scholarship is for \$500.00 and is paid over two (2) semesters.. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

TOWN & COUNTRY (2 Scholarships)

Scholarship was set up by John Aspinall, owner of Town & Country. **Criteria:** 2.5 GPA, financial need, leadership ability and career goals. This scholarship is for \$1,000.00 and is paid over two (2) semesters.. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

LUNA (Laborers') LOCAL 1098

This scholarship is set up by Local 1098 and is open to students who are pursuing a college education. **Criteria:** 2.5 grade point average; General course of study. The scholarship is for \$200.00 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

PAHS CLASS OF 1982

This scholarship is set up by the graduating class of 1982 and open to students who are pursuing higher education. **Criteria:** 2.0 grade point average; General course of study/trade school. Amount to be determined, and is paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

NANCY BORUSCHKO SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is set up by Bay County Prosecuting Attorney Nancy Borushko and open to students who are pursuing higher education. A 2.0 grade point average is required. The scholarship is for \$250.00 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

ANDRE AND RUTH TOTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was set up in memory of Andre & Ruth Toth who were lifelong educators and proud members of the community. Andre Toth was a science teacher and track & cross country coach at Pinconning High School. Ruth Toth was an elementary school teacher, reading consultant, and elementary school principal for Pinconning Area Schools. Mr. and Mrs. Toth were strong advocates for students during their tenures with Pinconning Area Schools and wished to continue their work by establishing this scholarship. **Criteria:** 2.5 GPA, financial need and going to a college or university beginning the fall semester following high school graduation. A minimum of 15 hours of documented volunteer service is also required. This scholarship is for \$1,000 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

SHERRI KILBORN SIEBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was set up by the family of Sherri Kilborn Siebert and is open to students who are pursuing higher education. A 2.5 grade point average is required. This scholarship is for \$1,000 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

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Field of Study

☐ NORTHWOODS WHOLESALE OUTLET/BUSINESS

Scholarship was set up by Marty Hornacek, owner of Northwoods Wholesale Outlet. **Criteria:** 2.5 GPA, financial need, leadership ability and career goals. This scholarship is open to students who wish to further their studies in business and technology studies such as (but not limited to) engineering, technology, architectural and engineering drafting, heating and cooling and ventilation, surveying, construction trade, small business enterprise, or office professional training. This scholarship is for \$1,000.00 and is paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

☐ EUGENE GRANDMAISON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship was set up in memory of Eugene Grandmaison. **Criteria:** Must be able to demonstrate financial need, and be enrolled in a college or university full time for the fall semester. **This scholarship is for the student who is planning to study Conservation, Wildlife, DNR, Biologist, or Forestry.** Criteria: 2.5 GPA. This scholarship is for \$1,000.00 and is paid over two (2) semesters. Non-renewable. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

☐ GARSKE HEWITT PLC

This scholarship is set up by Garske Hewitt PLC. It is open to all students with a 2.5 GPA or higher entering the field of Business or Law. This scholarship is for \$500 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

☐ LEONARD PICKVET FAMILY MEMORIAL

This scholarship is set up and open to students who plan to attend a vocational, technical or trade school. No minimum grade point average is required. This scholarship is for \$250.00 paid over two (2) semesters. Submit all documentation stated in instructions.

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED UPON FINAL FUNDING