



# HERO Low-Income Scholarship

## Program Details

- Applications Open: **September 1 – September 30, 2025**
- **20 scholarships of up to \$2,000 each** are available for the 2025–2026 school year.
- Scholarships are available to any student enrolled in a HERO school who meets low-income eligibility requirements based on the chart below.
- Award amounts are calculated based on the tuition rate of the student’s HERO school and household income level.
- Students who have already received a HERO or ACE, or any other scholarship for the 2025–2026 school year may still apply, but the **combined total of all awards cannot exceed \$2,000 per student.**
- Funds go directly to the HERO school.

## Income Bracket Chart

### Maximum Income Based on Total Annual 2024 Income

Household Size	Up to 75% Coverage	Up to 50% Coverage	Up to 25% Coverage
2	Up to \$21,150	\$21,151 – \$39,128	\$39,129 – \$57,105
3	Up to \$26,650	\$26,651 – \$49,303	\$49,304 – \$71,955
4	Up to \$32,150	\$32,151 – \$59,478	\$59,479 – \$86,805
5	Up to \$37,650	\$37,651 – \$69,653	\$69,654 – \$101,655
6	Up to \$43,150	\$43,151 – \$79,828	\$79,829 – \$116,505
7	Up to \$48,650	\$48,651 – \$90,003	\$90,004 – \$131,355
8	Up to \$54,150	\$54,151 – \$100,178	\$100,179 – \$146,205
	<i>For each additional child add \$5,500</i>	<i>For each additional child add \$10,175</i>	<i>For each additional child add \$14,850</i>



## How to Apply

### Step 1: Verify Eligibility

- Student must be accepted into a HERO school.
- Household income falls within the Income Bracket Chart above.
- Student has not exceeded \$2,000 in combined scholarship awards for the 2025–2026 school year.

### Step 2: Gather Required Forms

- **Proof of Household Income:** Most recent Tax Return or W-2
- **School Form:** [HERO School Acceptance Letter](#) (can be the same form used for other HERO scholarships)

### Step 3: Apply Online

- Visit [www.sparkyourschool.com](http://www.sparkyourschool.com) to submit your application and to upload documents through the secure application portal.



## How Awards are Calculated

1. Look up your household size and income on the Income Bracket Chart to find your eligibility percentage (75%, 50%, or 25%).
2. Multiply your school tuition by that percentage.
3. If the number is less than \$2,000 → that is your award.
4. If the number is greater than \$2,000 → your award is capped at \$2,000.
5. If you have already received a scholarship award, subtract that amount and apply only for the remaining balance (up to the \$2,000 maximum).

#### Example 1 (no prior award):

- Tuition = \$4,000
- Household qualifies for 75% coverage
- $\$4,000 \times 0.75$  (75%) = \$3,000
- Max award = \$2,000
- **HERO Scholarship = \$2,000**
- Family pays remaining \$2,000

#### Example 2 (with prior award):

- Tuition = \$2,400
- Household qualifies for 75% coverage
- $\$2,400 \times 0.75$  (75%) = \$1,800
- Student already received \$1,000 HERO Scholarship
- Remaining eligible = \$800
- **HERO Scholarship = \$800**
- Family pays remaining \$600

## ? Questions

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