

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. With few exceptions (such as the Carlos and Celestine Watkins, the Utica Class of 1956, and the Harold Smith Utica High School Scholarships) applicants must reside in Knox County or attend a Knox County high school.
2. Applicants must be planning to attend a fully-accredited two-year or four-year college or university, and be enrolled as a **full-time** student.
3. **Traditional Scholarship Applicants** include graduating high school seniors and students who are continuing undergraduate degree work they *began within two years of high school graduation*. Traditional Scholarship applicants will be considered for all available Foundation scholarships.

Non-Traditional Scholarship Applicants include those competing for a Dr. Lillian Hickman or Dr. Allan S. Bazzoli, M.D. Medical Student Scholarship, a Dr. Clyde and Dora Purdy (O.S.U. Veterinary School) Scholarship, Harold and Virginia Duston (O.S.U. Veterinary School) Scholarship, or a Robert and Lorene Purdy Scholarship for adults pursuing post-secondary studies more than two years after high school graduation.

4. To be considered for any need-based scholarships applicants must upload a **complete copy of the Submission Summary** of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application (see www.fafsa.ed.gov). Applicants electing to omit the FAFSA Submission Summary, including their Student Aid Index (SAI) from their application will be eligible only for merit-based scholarships, which typically are available in lesser numbers, and smaller amounts, compared to need-based scholarships.
5. The Universal Scholarship Application will only be accepted online through <https://knoxcf.awardspring.com>. A guide for completing the application is available on our website at www.knoxcf.org under the *Grants and Scholarship Tab*.
****Please note: Current High School Seniors should not use their high school e-mail address for an account as the Foundation will use this address for communication after graduation.**
6. Applicants are responsible for requesting official transcripts **well in advance** of the application deadline. Please exercise courtesy with student records personnel who have several requests made of them at this time of the year.

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