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Community Foundation Scholarships

The Community Foundation of Boone County (CFBC) typically awards over \$30,000 annually to Western Boone students. There are currently over twenty scholarships available through the CFBC. Some scholarships require financial need and the Student Aid Index from the FAFSA will need to be uploaded to be considered for any scholarship requiring financial need. Remember, financial need means that the students and parents do not have the funds to cover the entire cost of attendance at the student's preferred college. It does not mean that families have to be completely

broke. Please make sure that the recommendation you upload is NOT from school personnel. Make your recommendation from someone in the community who can attest to your character and experiences outside of the school setting. The CFBC scholarships are due by February 6th. We strongly encourage our students to complete the CFBC application as it provides one of the single largest sources of scholarship dollars to our students. If there are any questions, please contact us!

Western Boone Foundation Scholarships

Annually, the Western Boone Foundation awards approximately \$18,000 to Western Boone seniors. This year, multiple additional scholarships have been made available. Scholarships range from \$250-8,000 and are awarded to a variety of potential areas of study. These scholarships are available using the Western Boone employment site called Applitrack. The language on this site can sometimes be confusing; however, using this application platform saves the scholarship funds a significant amount of money each year that can be sent to students. If you have any questions, please ask. All supplemental materials can be uploaded online, but may also be submitted directly to Ms. Query if there are submission challenges. Visit <https://weboschools.org/employment/openings?category=Scholarship> to apply. We will review this at the next counseling block on January 17th.

Scholarship Application Tips

1. **Consider creating a more professional email address.** Ex: use your Western Boone address and use your name format (firstname.lastname@weboschools.org).
2. **Plan out scholarship essays before writing them on an application.**
3. **Make sure your essays are understandable.**
4. **Submit materials on time.** Many scholarships post their deadlines as "received by" dates, which means they must be sent before the date posted in order to arrive on time.
5. **Use proper grammar.**
6. **Leave out personal details that are not descriptive of your personal character.**
8. **If it can be typed, do so.** you must handwrite it, use a black or blue pen!

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Please do not hesitate to contact your counselor with questions. We are happy to help!

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Upcoming Events:

REMEMBER, all materials must be received by this date including high school transcript and test scores (if required) **FROM THE TEST PROVIDER!**

Special Points:

- Never pay for anything related to scholarships!

Scholarships

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

January 12, 2024

Open to students in grades 9-12 who write an essay on an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1917. Visit <https://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest.aspx> for more information.

DFA Cares Foundation Scholarship

January 12, 2024

Open to students who plan on a career in the dairy industry. Scholarships are valued at \$1,000. Applications and more information can be found at <https://www.dfamilk.com/careers/students-and-graduates#scholarships>

Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship

January 15, 2024

Open to graduating seniors who plan on a career of service to the United States in local, state, or federal government. Scholarships are valued between \$500-5,000. Applications can be found at <https://www.gwcf.org/scholarship>

Mensa USA Scholarship

January 15, 2024

Open to graduating seniors who plan on pursuing education after high school. Students must submit an essay describing their future goals. Scholarships are valued at \$2500. Applications can be found at <https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/us-scholarships/>



Speaking Up for Mental Health Essay Contest

January 16, 2024

Open to high school students ages 16-18 who want to raise awareness about mental health. Total cash prizes for all winners totals \$15,000. More information can be found at [Challenge.Gov](https://www.challenge.gov)



Nancy Jaynes Memorial Scholarship

January 22, 2024

Open to high school seniors whose parent is battling cancer or has lost a parent to breast cancer. Scholarship is valued at \$1,500. Applications are available at <https://breastcancerplate.org/how-we-help/scholarships/>

Joey Strong Memorial Scholarship

January 26, 2024

Open to seniors who plan on studying law enforcement after graduation. Applications are available in the guidance office or students can use the "General Scholarship Application" from the guidance website. Attach a statement including any current involvement in law enforcement related activities and what your goals are for a future in law enforcement. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000.

Indiana Next Generation Education Scholarship

January 31, 2024

Open to seniors who are in the top 20% of their graduating class or have SAT or ACT scores in the top 20%. Students must earn a teaching license and teach at least 5 years in Indiana after immediately after graduating. Scholarship is valued at \$7,500 per year for four years. Application will open on October 16th. Application information can be found at <https://www.in.gov/che/state-financial-aid/state-financial-aid-by-program/next-generation-hoosier-educators-scholarship/>



Community Foundation of Boone County Scholarships

February 6, 2024

Open to Boone County students. Multiple scholarships are available! Scholarships have various requirements so each Western Boone student should visit the site to see which scholarships are available to them based on their college and career interest and academic background. Western Boone students typically win almost half of all scholarship money available, so check it out! Application information is available at <https://communityfoundationbc.org/western-boone-scholarships/> Applications are due by noon and will not be accepted late.

Bobby Hysong Memorial—Agriculture-related majors with a 2.0 minimum high school GPA

Boone County Agriculture—Agriculture-related major with a 2.5 minimum high school GPA

Buren Scholarship Endowment—Male student with 2.5 minimum high school GPA and financial need

Carl H. Witt Scholarship Endowment—Agriculture or business-related major with 2.0 minimum high school GPA

Charlotte Carr Tyre Scholarship—Agriculture degree from Purdue and a 3.0 minimum high school GPA and 4-H member

Darrell Portell 4-H Scholarship—Boone County resident/available through 4H scholarship application

Eugene O. & Mabel Higgins Scholarship—Boone County resident, Indiana college or university, 2.5GPA or higher

Family Music Studio Scholarship—Boone County resident, preferably a FMS student

Florence Gruver Memorial Scholarship—Education major attending a 4 year college with 2.0 minimum high school GPA

Harold and Evelyn Rice Scholarship—Ministry/Christian Service major

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Heather Cline Healthcare Scholarship—Nursing or Healthcare, preference will be given to nursing majors with minimum 3.0 GPA

Heather Cline Football Scholarship—High School football player with 2.0 minimum high school GPA

James Holman Carr & Pauline Neel Carr Scholarship—resident & graduate of Boone County High School, attend Purdue, 3.0 GPA

Jay Martin Vocational/Trade School Scholarship—Any vocational school with 2.0 minimum high school GPA

Jerry “Moe” Cunningham Vocational Scholarship—Any vocational student that attended a program at J. Everett Light

Joseph K. and Charlotte Carr Tyre—Boone County resident attending Wabash with a 3.0 GPA

Marjorie Stonehill English, Journalism, and Creative Arts Scholarship—English, Journalism, Creative Arts major with 3.0 minimum high school GPA and be in top 30% of the class

Norma and Ed Castetter Memorial Scholarship—Minimum 2.5 GPA, the principal will nominate one applicant from their school

Pliny and Mildred Randall Memorial Scholarship—2.0 minimum high school GPA

Robert Stonehill Pre Medical Scholarship—Pre Medical major with a 3.5 minimum freshman college GPA

Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Agriculture Award—STEM or Ag major with 3.2 GPA

Zionsville Fire Department/Larry K. Rust Memorial Scholarship—Boone County resident majoring in public safety or engineering

Kenneth G. & Irene Schaaf Walker Memorial Scholarship

February 9, 2024

Open to graduating seniors who have been accepted and intend to enroll at Indiana University Bloomington in the fall. Students must be in the top 25% of their graduating class. Please complete the “General Scholarship Application” available on the Western Boone website in the guidance section or pick up a copy in the guidance office. Scholarship is approximately \$1,000 but varies each year. Attach a statement describing your future goals.



Texting and Driving Prevention Scholarship

February 9, 2024

Open to seniors who have at least a 3.0 GPA and submit a 750 word essay about how the applicant personally prevents texting and driving. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000. More information can be found at <https://emersonstraw.com/texting-and-driving-scholarship/>

PHP Scholarship for Health-Related Majors

February 23, 2024

Open to seniors who are pursuing a medical related degree. Applicants must write a 1,000 word essay on how social media affects the development of youth. Scholarship amounts vary. Apply at <https://public.powerdms.com/PHPNI/documents/1717019> or paper copies are in the guidance office

PLAY Scholars Helping Collars Scholarship

February 27, 2024

Open to seniors who write an essay detailing their efforts to help animals in need. Additional information and application is available at <https://www.petplay.com/pages/scholarship> Scholarship is valued at \$1500.

KnowBe4 Women’s Scholarship (opens January 17th)

February 28, 2024

Open to female seniors who plan on pursuing a degree in cybersecurity or related field. Students must have a GPA of 3.3 or higher. Scholarship is valued at \$3,000. Application is available at <https://iamcybersafe.org/s/knowbe4-womens-cyber-scholarships->

College Board Opportunity Scholarship Program

February 28, 2024

Open to seniors who complete various tasks throughout the year like practicing for the SAT and completing the FAFSA. Steps are completed through the student’s College Board Account. Scholarship amounts vary cb.org/opportunity

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Thorntown Knights of Pythias Scholarship

March 23, 2024

Open to graduating seniors who have financial need. A copy or screenshot of parent tax returns showing AGI must be provided, but identifying information such as SSNs should be crossed out. Scholarship is valued at \$500. Applicants should complete the "General Application", a statement/resume of community service participation, and a statement describing the applicant's future goals. Applications are available in the guidance office and the "General Application" is also on the guidance office website. Applications must be turned into the guidance office by the due date.



Co-Alliance Solutions Scholarships

March 1, 2024

Open to seniors who plan on majoring in an agriculture field. Applicants must have a parent or grandparent that is a member of a qualifying local cooperative. A 500 word essay describing the importance of agriculture to the applicant must be submitted along with a recent transcript. Scholarship is in the amount of \$1,000. Applications can be found at <https://www.co-alliance.com/scholarship>



Boone County Right to Life Essay Contest

March 5, 2024

Open to high school seniors. Essay is on a given topic. Scholarships of up to \$500 will be awarded. Applications are available in the guidance office.

Boone County MIBOR Scholarship

March 8, 2024

Open to students who plan on pursuing a vocational career at a two year, trade, technical school, or training to be a real estate agent. Applicants should attach a short statement describing their future goals. Scholarship amounts vary with a minimum of \$500. Application is available from the guidance website or in the guidance office.



Horatio Alger Scholarship

March 15, 2024

Open to **juniors** who are US citizens with financial need in order to attend higher education. Over 600 scholarships are available and up to \$25,000 each. Visit horatioalger.org/scholarships for more information and to apply.



Boone County Retired Teachers Association

March 15, 2024

Open to graduating seniors in from Boone county high schools who intend to pursue a career in the field of education. Application requires a completed application form, transcript, two letters of reference, parent/guardian letter, and essay on "Why you chose education as a career" Scholarship is in the amount of \$1000. Applications are available from the guidance office. Scholarship must be **received or postmarked** by the date given above.



Orchard Construction Careers Scholarship

March 22, 2024

Open to seniors who are planning to enter a construction related career such as construction management, residential building, architecture, etc. Scholarship is valued at \$2,500. Applications are available on the guidance website.

Thorntown Businessmen Education Foundation Scholarship

March 30, 2024

Open to seniors who plan on attending a technical or trade school to pursue training in a vocational/trade career. Some career options could be, but not limited to, metal working, culinary arts, auto/diesel repair and collision, HVAC technology, cosmetology, computer graphics, LPN nursing, medical/dental assistant, medical technology, fire science, paramedic, law enforcement, and office administration. Applicants must earn a degree or certificate in two years or less. Ivy Tech and Vincennes University are considered acceptable in this group in addition to other vocational or trade programs. Students must complete the application and supply 2 reference letters with one completed by a teacher. Applicants must also attach an additional sheet that states their program of study, future goals, and why they are deserving of this scholarship. Scholarship amounts vary, but traditionally the scholarships have been over \$2,000 each. The application is available on the school website under the guidance section. Then click on "How can I pay for college". The application is also available in the guidance office.



Western Boone Education Foundation Scholarships

March 30, 2024

The Western Boone Education Foundation has scholarships available from multiple groups and organizations that wish to recognize Western Boone students with scholarships as a way to promote furthering education. Please review the descriptions for each scholarship by following the links below. The application system used is online. This system allows students to apply for multiple scholarships at a time with ONE application. Review each scholarship prior to applying. Please note any special materials that must be submitted in addition to the online application. These materials need to be uploaded into the application preferably or they can be turned in to Ms. Query in the guidance office by the due date listed above. No transcripts need to be requested as they will be submitted for each application submitted online automatically by Ms. Query. Please see Ms. Query in the guidance office with any questions.

To apply:

Visit the Western Boone district employment site at <https://weboschools.org/employment/openings> and select "Scholarships"

Click on "Apply" beside any one of the scholarships in which you are interested

Create an account with Applitrack

Complete all the steps of the application, including additional questions and uploading required materials

Once everything is entered and uploaded for all the scholarships to which you are applying, then submit application

Only submit one application

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Beam Family Scholarship

Open to graduating seniors from Jackson Township. Financial need will be considered. Please indicate free/reduced lunch status on the application. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and submit an essay on the topic "What are my future goals and why I need financial assistance in meeting these goals?" Scholarship is valued at \$2,000 per year and may be renewable if funds are available and if the winner maintains a C average in college and submits transcripts by June 1st of each year to Superintendent Mr. Ramey.

Bree Wilson Scholarship

Open to graduating seniors who will pursue a degree in nursing or medical sciences and have a 3.0 GPA or higher. Priority is given to declared major and then community involvement.

Brian Euler Scholarship

Open to graduating seniors who have participated in at least one varsity sport and plan on pursuing criminal justice or healthcare as a career. Applicants must have a 2.0 GPA or higher and must include a 1 page essay on future plans and goals after high school graduation. Within the online application under "Extra Curricular Events", include a complete list of athletic participation. Scholarship is valued at \$1,500

Duane Swisher Swimmer Scholarship

Open to seniors who have been a varsity-level swimmer. The winners must have good attendance according to the current varsity swim coach and display a strong work ethic, leadership skills, and a positive mental attitude. The application requires an essay be written over what a strong work ethic in the pool and the classroom means to the student. Scholarship is valued at \$250 and will be awarded to one male and one female student.

Earl Hooch Scholarship

Open to seniors who plan on studying in the fields of math, science, or engineering. Students with financial need and who will attend Purdue will be given preference, but these areas are not a requirement. Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 GPA. Two reference letters are required and one must be from a math or science teacher. Scholarship is valued at \$5,600.

Kent Poole Athletic Scholarship

Open to seniors who have participated in at least one varsity sport and displayed a positive mental attitude and leadership. Within the online application under "Extra Curricular Events", include a complete list of athletic participation. Scholarship is valued at \$250.

Lough Family Scholarship

Open to seniors who will be pursuing a medical career. Applicants should include a statement as to why a career in the medical field is sought.

Natalie Duke Memorial Scholarship

Open to seniors who participate in athletics and/or art classes and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Applicants should have a positive attitude and have shown consistency in giving their best effort in everything and especially including others to do the same. Applicants should include all athletic and art participation in the "Extra Curricular Events" section of the application. Two scholarships are available for \$250 each.

Ron Bush Scholarship

Open to seniors who are 4H members in Boone County and have a 2.0 GPA or higher. Students must upload a 1 page essay on the topic, "How has 4-H provided me direction toward my future?" Candidates will be interviewed. Scholarship is valued at \$2,000.

Roscoe D. and J. Charlene Stewart Scholarship

Open to seniors who have a GPA of 2.0 or higher and attended Thorntown elementary. Applicants must upload a recommendation letter from a current or former teacher. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000

Sandy Heffner Education Scholarship

Open to seniors who plan on studying education and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Preference will be given to applicants who have been affected by cancer and who are active in church/social organizations. An essay must be uploaded on the topic "How will a degree in education help you change the life of a child?" A recommendation letter from a teacher or non-family member must also be uploaded. Scholarship is valued at \$1855 for the first year and students are eligible for \$1,000 the second year if still enrolled in an education program.

Sydney Foster Memorial Scholarship

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing a career in nursing. This scholarship is in honor of Sydney Foster, an eighteen year old senior who passed away in an automobile accident on March 1, 2018. Applicants should submit a statement describing their future goals in their nursing career. A recommendation letter from a teacher, coach, and/or community member should also be included.

John Kelley Scholarship

Open to seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA who are active in sports and the community. Financial need will be considered. Scholarship is valued at \$500.

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Edward Jones Scholarship

Open to seniors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 who plan on pursuing a career in business at a 2 or 4 year school. A statement describing the applicants career goals in the field of business and the need for financial assistance is required. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000

Western Boone Education Foundation Scholarships

Open to seniors with a minimum 2.75 GPA who plan on attending a vocational, 2 year, or 4 year program after graduation. Students must complete a FAFSA and financial need will be considered. Students will submit a statement answer "How has Western Boone impacted your area of post-secondary study and what are your long-term goals?"



Andy's Ride Scholarship

April 1, 2024

Open to seniors who are planning to enter a skilled trade career through a trade or two year school. Scholarship is valued up to \$2,000. Applications are available in the guidance office. Applications and transcripts should be mailed to C. Buckmaster, 6485 E 650 S, Zionsville, IN 46077 or emailed to cbuckmaste@aol.com

Review scholarships through popular national search engines!

FastWeb	www.fastweb.com
Scholarships.Com	www.scholarships.com
College Board Scholarship Search	https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
U.S. Department of Labor Scholarship Search	http://careerinfonet.org/scholarshipsearch/
Scholarship America	http://scholarshipamerica.org/open_scholarships.php
Student Scholarships	studentscholarships.org

We highly recommend not paying for a scholarship search service.