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Make sure to check page 2—5 for available scholarships!

Community Foundation Scholarships

The Community Foundation of Boone County (CFBC) typically awards over \$30,000 annually to Western Boone students. There are currently eighteen scholarships available through the CFBC. A required component of the CFBC scholarships is the College Costs Estimator. The CFBC uses this program to determine the financial need of applicants. A student and family can refuse to complete the College Costs Estimator, but doing so will result in not being considered for any scholarship that has a financial need component. The College Costs Estimator can be completed at <http://www.indianacollegecosts.org/>. The online form takes approximately fifteen minutes to complete and requires parent and student tax forms. The CFBC scholarships are due February 9th. 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!

Scholarship Searching

The “Scholarship Season” will begin soon, meaning that the biggest bulk of scholarships have their application due dates starting now through March. Keep the following tips in mind when conducting your scholarship search:

1. Frequently check scholarship availability to ensure deadlines do not pass you by. Scholarships are announced and require submissions fairly quickly.

2. You will not win every scholarship for which you apply. Some students believe that applying for a scholarship ensures a win and therefore means they can apply for less number of scholarships or only large award scholarships. This is not true and some figure this out too late.

3. Consider scholarship possibilities in many facets of your life. Have a bank account? That bank probably has a scholarship for members. Have a favorite store? They likely have a scholarship in their name. Does your

immediate family work? Their employer most likely has a scholarship available.

4. Think of your career goals. Want to become a physics teacher? The American Association for Physics Teachers has a scholarship available. Many scholarships look for applicants who have the same ideals as the donor.

5. Do not wait until March to begin searching for scholarships. Many students are notified of their upcoming tuition bills in March and April of their senior year, which is when the idea of earning scholarships tends to become serious. This is typically too late to apply for scholarships.

6. Do not rely on one source of information when it comes to scholarships. Check with various websites, community members, and the guidance office when searching for scholarships.

Scholarship Application Tips

No one is perfect, but some scholarship application mistakes can be avoided.

- 1. Consider creating a more professional email address.**
- 2. Plan out scholarship essays before writing them on an application.**
- 3. Make sure your essays are understandable.**
- 4. Submit materials on time.**
- 5. Use proper grammar.**
- 6. Leave out personal details that are not descriptive of your personal character.**
- 7. Make sure the introduction and conclusion are compelling.**
- 8. If it can be typed, do so.**

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

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Upcoming Events:

- 3/1/18—FAFSA deadline for Purdue
- 3/10/18—FAFSA deadline for most Indiana Schools
- 5/9/18—Honor Night

Special Notice:

The UPS Hub in Plainfield is hiring. Offering \$25,000 in tuition assistance, up to \$11/hr, weekly pay, health benefits. Visit www.upsjobs.com or contact Katie Chapman for more information at katiechapman@ups.com

Designates a new scholarship



Special Points:

- Never pay for anything related to scholarships!

Scholarships

- ★ **Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship** **January 15, 2018**
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 http://www.gwcf.org/docs/WCF_AwardsRequirements_2018.pdf
- ★ **Ronald McDonald House Charity of Central Indiana Scholarship** **January 18, 2018**
Open to seniors who are US citizens. More information and applications are available at <https://www.rmhcinc.org/what-we-do/scholarships/>
- ★ **Knights of Pythias Educational Assistance Scholarships** **January 25, 2018**
Open to graduating seniors who have a 3.0 GPA. The application must include a transcript with SAT/ACT scores. Scholarships are valued at \$1,000 each. No part of this application can be handwritten! The application is available online on our guidance website under the "How do I pay for college?" section. These cannot be completed online, but can be copy and pasted into a Word document for editing. Paper copies are available in the guidance office, but must be retyped into Word later. Applications must include a short typed essay about goals after college and an additional essay regarding the need for financial help.
- International Union of Operating Engineers Apprenticeship (Applications available for pickup January 2nd)** **January 31, 2018**
Open to graduating seniors who will be 18 by June 1st. Applicants must physically be able to perform the work, possess a current drivers license, take required assessments, and be able to work in the US. Applications can be picked up at the Training Centers in Terre Haute or Clinton IN.
- America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders Scholarship** **February 1, 2018**
Open to graduating seniors who plan on studying an ag-related field. Applicants must have two farmers endorse their application. FFA membership is not required. Applications can be found at <ffa.org/scholarships> Scholarships are valued at \$1,500
- ★ **Nancy Jaynes Memorial Scholarship** **February 2, 2018**
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 www.breastcancerplate.org/scholarships
- ★ **Community Foundation of Central Indiana Scholarships** **February 6, 2018**
Open to graduating seniors. Scholarship options vary based on geographic location and interest. Please review the scholarship guidebook at <https://www.cicf.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/2018-CICF-Scholarship-Guidebook.pdf>
- Community Foundation of Boone County Scholarships** **February 8, 2018**
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 <http://www.communityfoundationbc.org/scholarships/cfbc-scholarships/western-boone-high-school/>
- 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**
- 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**
- 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**
- Jay Martin Vocational/Trade School Scholarship—Any vocational school with 2.0 minimum high school GPA**
- 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—PreMedical major with a 3.5 minimum freshman college GPA**
- Zionsville Fire Department/Larry K. Rust Memorial Scholarship—Boone County resident majoring in public safety or engineering**

Scholarships

Kenneth G. & Irene Schaaf Walker Memorial Scholarship

February 16, 2018

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.

Beta Sigma Psi Education Scholarship

February 17, 2018

Open to graduating Lutheran men who will be attending either University of Illinois, IUB, or Purdue in the fall. Applications can be found at <http://scholarships.betasigmapsi.org>. Scholarships are valued between \$1500-2000.

PHP Scholarship

February 23, 2018

Open to graduating seniors who have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and will be pursuing a health-related degree at an accredited post-secondary college, university, or technical school. Scholarship values range from \$1,000-\$3,000. Applications and more information can be found at phpni.com

Joey Strong Memorial Scholarship

February 23, 2018

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. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000.



Knights of Pythias Poster/Visual Arts Scholarship

March 1, 2018

Open to students in high school who want to create a poster on the topic "Stay Alive, Don't Text and Drive" More information on the requirements of the poster can be found on the flyer on the guidance website under the "How can I pay for college?" section or in the guidance office. Posters must be turned in to the local lodge by the deadline, so make sure delivery is planned in advance. First prize wins \$1,000.



Co-Alliance Solutions Scholarships

March 1, 2018

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. Scholarship is in the amount of \$1,000. Applications can be found at www.co-alliance.com

Boone REMC Scholarship

March 2, 2018

Open to seniors who will be attending an accredited 2 or 4 year college or technical school. Applicants must be a dependent or legal ward of a Boone REMC member. The scholarship applicant or member must be present at the annual meeting to accept the scholarship, which begins at 10am on March 4th. Fifteen \$500 scholarships are available and will be awarded during a random draw. Applications are available online at www.bremc.com or on the guidance scholarship website. Applications can be emailed to msaucerman@bremc.com by March 2nd or submitted at the annual meeting on March 10 before 10am.

Western Boone Teachers' Association Scholarship

March 9, 2018

Open to graduating seniors who plan on pursuing a career in education. Scholarship amounts vary. Applicants should complete the "General Application" from the guidance website under "How can I pay for college?" or pick up a copy in the guidance office. Please attach a statement describing future goals and why a career in education is important to you.

Psi Iota Xi Scholarship

March 9, 2018

Open to seniors who plan on furthering their education in the areas of art, music, literature, writing, or speech and hearing. The "General Application" from the Western Boone guidance website can be used. The complete application must also include at least 3 letters of reference, official transcript, future goal statement, and a brief essay of 500 words or less describing educational and occupational goals. Applications are available in the guidance office and online and are due back by the deadline above. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000. Applications must be turned into the guidance office by the due date.



Witham Volunteer Services Volunteer Health Career Scholarship

March 9, 2018

Open to seniors who plan to enter a career in the health field. Applicants must be residents of Boone County. A transcript, statement detailing career goals and why a career in the health field is desired and information regarding any special interests and extracurricular activities should be attached to the application. The application is available in the guidance office.

Boone County MIBOR Scholarship

March 16, 2018

Open to students who plan on pursuing a vocational career at a two year, trade, or technical school. Scholarship is valued at \$500. Please apply using the "General Scholarship Application" from the guidance website or pick up a copy in the guidance office.

Jacob Shockley & Richard Penny Memorial Scholarship presented by Big O Tires of Lebanon

March 16, 2018

Open to seniors who plan on attending a technical or trade school to pursue training in a vocational/trade career. Ivy Tech and Vincennes are considered acceptable in this group as long as a vocational career is being pursued. Students must complete the "General Application", and supply 2 reference letters with one completed by a teacher. Applicants must also attach an additional sheet that states 1) acceptance status to school 2) name and location of school 3) program of study 4) future goals 5) statement about why you would like to be considered for this scholarship. Scholarship amount is variable, but has been \$2,000.

Zonta Club of Boone County Scholarship

March 16, 2018

Open to senior girls who have been involved in their school, community, and/or church. Academic status is a factor in choosing a recipient. Application requires two letters of recommendation, transcript, one-half page essay describing future plans and another one-half page essay describing how the applicant plans to use the scholarship. Scholarship is in the amount of \$750. Applications are available in the guidance office or the "General Application" on the Western Boone guidance site can be used. Applications must be turned into the guidance office by the due date.

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Thorntown Knights of Pythias Scholarship

March 16, 2018

Open to graduating seniors who have financial need. Parent tax returns must be provided. Scholarship is valued at \$500. Applicants should complete the "General Application" and attach a copy of the parental tax return, and a statement/resume of community service participation. 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.

Sugar Creek Arts Center Scholarship

March 16, 2018

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing a program of study in an art related career. Students should complete the "General Application" available on the guidance website or in the guidance office. Applicants may attach recommendation letters or supplemental materials such as an essay or photographs/copies of art work. Scholarship is valued at \$400. Applications must be turned into the guidance office by the due date.

Western Boone Make a Difference Scholarship

March 23, 2018

Open to seniors who are dedicated to impacting the lives of others. Applicants must submit an essay addressing the questions: "What have you done during your time in high school to impact the lives of others? How will your college degree (if decided) allow you to continue making an impact in our local community?" Students should submit their essays to webomakeadifference@yahoo.com. Two \$1,000 scholarships are available.

Western Boone Baseball Scholarship

March 25, 2018

Open to seniors who have played baseball for four years. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Applicants must also include a recommendation letter from a teacher and an additional letter from a coach (does not have to be the baseball coach). An essay of 500 words or less on "How baseball has provided direction for my future?" must also be included. Scholarship is valued at \$500. Applications are available in the guidance office and on the guidance website under the "How can I pay for college?" section.

Thorntown Businessmen Education Foundation Scholarship

March 30, 2018

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, 2018

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 <http://mbcurl.me/EYNE>

Click on "Apply" beside any 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, then submit application

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.

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 \$1,000

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.

Scholarships continued on next page...

Scholarships

Earl Hoock 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 \$1,100.

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.

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

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.

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 \$900.

Saxton Schrier Alumni Scholarship

Open to seniors who have a minimum GPA of 3.0. This scholarship was established by two former Western Boone Alumni, John Saxton and Josh Schrier. The goal in offering this scholarship is to encourage and reward a WeBo senior whose aspirations, drive, and risk-taking will take them far beyond Boone County. Preference will be given to students studying a humanity or social science subject and who are attending a college or university out of state. Applicants must provide two recommendation letters (one must be from an English teacher), proof of application/acceptance to school, transcripts/test scores, and a personal statement of at least 500 words about future goals.

InvestEd Giveaway Scholarship

June 13, 2018

Open to students who will attend college within two years after graduating from high school in May 2018. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000. To apply, visit <https://www.investedindiana.org/literacy/1000-invested-scholarship-giveaway/>



AES Engineers Scholarship

October 6, 2018

Open to students who submit an essay between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the question, "*When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships will be important on this journey?*" Scholarship is valued at \$500.00. More information is available at www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm

Review scholarships through popular national search engines!

FastWeb	www.fastweb.com
Scholarships.Com	www.scholarships.com
Raise Me	https://www.raise.me/join/western-boone-jr-sr-high-school
Cappex	https://www.cappex.com/scholarships/
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

We highly recommend not paying for a scholarship search service.