

2024 CVEA Community Foundation General Scholarship Application

(1) \$2,000 & (2) \$1,000 General Scholarships

In 2024, one \$2,000 and two \$1,000 general scholarships will be awarded in each district. The CVEACF general scholarship is designed to assist graduating seniors with the first-year costs to attend a higher-education program which leads to a certificate or degree, through vocational, technical, apprenticeship training, or for a college degree program.

**Deadline for submitting applications is
Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 5 p.m.**

Please review and complete the entire application.
For more information, contact
Sarah Jorgenson-Owen at sjorgensonowen@cvea.org.



CVEA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024 GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior from a public or private secondary school or home school program located within the CVEA service territory. Applicant, his/her parent(s), or legal guardian(s) must be a member of CVEA or reside in a dwelling served by CVEA during the school year.
2. Awards are for students who will be full-time students, in any course, which leads to a certificate or degree in an apprenticeship program; trade, technical, or vocational school; or an accredited college.
3. A full-time student will be defined as a student taking a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester or full-time attendance as determined by the trade, technical, or vocational school.
4. Applicants will be scored equally among four categories: education/grades, community involvement, future education/career goals, and financial need.
5. A copy of your official high school transcripts must be submitted. Transcripts must include the first semester of senior year.
6. Completion of the “Statement of Financial Plan” is required. The financial plan is intended to demonstrate your understanding of the financial resources required to complete the **first year** of your educational program. It will also be used to help establish your **need** for additional funding.
7. Applicants must submit the attached application and a personal narrative not exceeding two pages, double-spaced. Students **MUST** include the following in their personal narrative:
 - Personal history
 - How your involvement in school, clubs, community activities or volunteer experiences have helped shape you, or help you determine your future path
 - A description of career goals and how you intend to achieve those goals
 - Describe your financial need (financial need is one of four components of this scholarship and it is your responsibility to tell the committee why you need this scholarship to help you pay for your education)
 - An explanation of why you feel you should be awarded the scholarship
8. Applicants must include three letters of recommendation, **one from each category**: (1) a classroom teacher; (2) a community, an industry member, or employer; (3) and a personal reference. Letter must reference the category the recommendation is intended to fulfill. You will be scored on whether or not you have met this criteria.
9. An interview will be required for the top finalists.
10. Applications and required documentation must be received at CVEA no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, February 15, 2024. Please include only requested documentation. Other materials will not be provided to the Scholarship Committee.
11. The decision of the Scholarship Committee is final.

**CVEA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2024 GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Applicant Name _____
Name (if different from legal name) _____
Date of Birth _____ Graduation Date (Month/Year) _____
Name of High School _____
Mailing Address _____ Zip _____
Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____
Email Address _____
CVEA Member # (Parent/Legal Guardian #) _____
CVEA Member's (Parent/Legal Guardian) Name _____

Planned School Attendance (check type of school)
 Accredited College Technical School
 Apprenticeship Program Vocational School

Name of School/College _____
Address of School _____
Program of Study/Certificate/Degree _____

List your involvement in school, clubs/organizations, community, teams

Describe your future educational and career goals

Describe any volunteer experience you have

Statement of Financial Plan for the 2024-2025 School Year

The financial plan is intended to demonstrate your understanding of the financial resources required to complete the first year of your educational program and to help establish your **need** for funding.

Please estimate the dollar amounts for the following information.

FUNDING SOURCES:

Parent/Guardian(s) _____
Savings _____
Job _____
Scholarships _____
Grants _____
Loans _____
Other Sources _____

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

Tuition _____
Books _____
Other Fees _____
Room & Board _____
Personal Expenses _____
Transportation _____
Travel _____
Entertainment _____
Other _____

TOTAL AVAILABLE _____
UNMET NEED _____

TOTAL REQUIRED _____

I certify that all answers to the preceding questions are true and correct. I understand that any false answers or deliberate omissions on this application may be grounds for rejection of this application and withdrawal of any award granted.

Applicant's Name

Applicant's Signature

Date

Important Notes

Be certain to attach the following information, as specified in Rules of Eligibility, to this completed application:

- Seven semester high school transcript
- One letter of recommendation from each category specified
- Personal narrative that includes all required categories
- Completed, signed application

The Scholarship Committee will consider all applications and supporting documentation. All information will be held strictly confidential.

The Scholarship Committee will select the finalists based on the merits of this application.

A minimum of the top three finalists will be interviewed.

In the event no qualified applications are received, the Committee reserves the right to forego awarding this scholarship in a given year.

The recipient must submit proof of school acceptance prior to award disbursement. Disbursement of the award will be made to the school's financial aid office following receipt of the CVEACF Enrollment Verification Form from the school. This verification must be received by CVEA by Thursday, October 24, 2024.

Applications and supporting documentation may be emailed to sjorgensonowen@cvea.org or mailed to P.O. Box 927, Valdez, AK 99686. Hand delivery to the office is also an option.

Application packets **must be received no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, February 15, 2024. Be diligent: late or incomplete application packets will not be considered.**

For more information, please contact Sarah Jorgenson-Owen at 907-835-7004 or sjorgensonowen@cvea.org.