MISSION OF THE PCCF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Phelps County Community Foundation, Inc. (PCCF) shall promote the giving of scholarship grants as an incentive to encourage area individuals in their pursuit of a higher education.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome to the Phelps County Community Foundation’s Scholarship Application Program! We appreciate your interest in applying for a scholarship through the Foundation. These scholarships are made possible by generous individuals, families, or organizations who desire to help others in their quest for higher education.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Scholarships administered by the Foundation are only available to residents and former residents of south-central Nebraska, including Phelps County and the surrounding area.

Scholarships are based on various eligibility criteria, including scholastic ability, intended college major, community involvement, extracurricular activities, affiliations, and other parameters. All scholarship funds held at the Phelps County Community Foundation are administered according to the following guidelines:

1. All scholarship recipients must be enrolled in an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school that qualifies as a tax-exempt institution.

2. Scholarships shall be for the purpose of the student’s cost of attendance including the following: tuition and fees required for attendance or enrollment, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses, and room and board. In the event the entire balance of this scholarship award is not used, we request the educational institution refund that portion to PCCF.

3. The funding of all scholarships will be made directly to the school of higher education and designated for the use of the specific student selected, upon verification of enrollment of the student.

4. Any unused scholarship funds will be returned to the Foundation and placed in the appropriate scholarship fund.

HOW TO APPLY

Complete the on-line application by February 15, 2024 available at:

www.phelpsfoundation.org / Scholarship Applications / 2024 scholarship application
REQUIRED ITEMS

REFERENCES
3 references are required. These must be requested and submitted through the online process. We strongly encourage you to notify your references that they should have received an email requesting their response. If the email was not received in their inbox, please ask them to check their spam folder to see if the email was mistakenly placed there. It is your responsibility to make sure your references submit by the deadline. You may see the status of your recommendation requests through your user account.

We will accept ONLY ONE ACADEMIC reference. Other references could be an employer, organization or activity leader, or personal acquaintance (neighbor, family friend, minister, etc.) that is not a family member.

TRANSCRIPT
Your guidance counselor will submit your transcript through the online process. When you fill in the information for your guidance counselor, please note that an email will be immediately sent to the email address provided. If the email was not received in their inbox, please ask them to check their junk folder to see if the email was mistakenly placed there. You may see the status of your recommendations and guidance counselor information request through your user account.

If you have taken college credits you will need to upload an official transcript or have an official transcript mailed to our office by February 15, 2024. Phelps County Community Foundation only accepts official transcripts. Do not send unofficial or web-based grade reports.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
See the Directory of Scholarships for detailed information and requirements on each scholarship. Some scholarships may require an essay or specific type of reference.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

• Am I eligible to apply?
Each scholarship fund has specific eligibility criteria defined by the donor when the fund was established. Please read through the specific criteria for each scholarship to see if you are eligible.

• Do I have to apply online?
Yes. All scholarship applications are evaluated through our online process.

• Does my reference have to be completed online?
Yes. Due to consistency requirements, all references must be submitted through the online process. We suggest you ask potential references in advance and explain to them that the reference must be completed online.

• What if my reference has not completed my recommendation request and the deadline is approaching?
Once you have selected and provided the necessary information about a reference in your application, they will receive an email requesting they complete their recommendation. Be sure to follow up with your reference to confirm the delivery of the email. We highly suggest that you check that your references have been completed approximately 1-2 weeks prior to the deadline. This provides sufficient time for you to make other arrangements with a different reference if necessary.

• May I receive more than one scholarship?
Yes. You may be selected as a recipient of multiple awards.

• What schools may I attend with these scholarships?
Most scholarships are for accredited schools anywhere in the United States unless otherwise noted under the scholarship description. Some scholarships are designated for students attending a particular institution. See scholarship directory for specific requirements.

• How are scholarships paid?
Checks will be sent to your school after we receive the completed verification of enrollment form. This form will be available online and you will need to take the form to your financial aid office for them to complete. In most cases, the payment will be split between the two semesters.

• Do I need to pay back the scholarship money?
These are charitable awards that do not need to be paid back as long as you continue to meet the criteria of the scholarship. If you no longer meet the criteria of the award, payments will stop and the school will be instructed to return the award to PCCF.

• What if I have more questions?
If you have questions, please contact Phelps County Community Foundation at 308-995-6847 or email Lacy Chapman at lchapman@phelpsfoundation.org
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1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a woman over the age of 22
- Be a Phelps County resident OR a graduate of a Phelps County High School
- Be planning to enroll full-time in a minimum two-year program at an accredited tax-exempt university or college

ADAM HARRAHILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of a Phelps County or Harlan County, Nebraska high school
- Student must be attending or plan to attend a technical or trade school
- GPA is not a consideration for this award
- Students enrolled in building construction technology or other carpentry trades will receive priority consideration for this scholarship award

REFERENCES:
High School Student: Additional reference from industrial arts instructor
College Student: Additional reference from an employer

ARNOLD AND OLIVE WALLANDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Be a graduating senior from Nebraska School District #54 / Bertrand High School
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.0
- Be planning to enroll full-time as an undergraduate student at a college, university, technical or vocational school program leading to a two-year or four-year degree
- Involvement/leadership/community service

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include an essay stating why you believe community service is important and how you have demonstrated community service throughout your high school career.

ATLANTA COMMUNITY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP
2 Scholarships | $500

- Be a graduate of any high school
- Must have completed at least one year of college
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
- Be enrolled as a part-time or full-time student
- Applicants must be from the Atlanta, Nebraska community and/or their parents must exhibit some form of involvement with the Atlanta, Nebraska Community Club

Students who have previously won this award are eligible to apply in subsequent years although preference will be given to students who have not previously won this award.
BERNARD AND EDITH YOUNGMARK SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarships | $1,000

- Pursuing education in the fields of nursing or law enforcement
- Be a graduate of any Phelps, Harlan or Kearney County High School, or
- Be employed in Phelps County in a related field, and
- Work history and involvement in the community will be considerations.

WILL HAVE COMPLETED ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
1) One year of post-secondary education in a related field, or
2) One year of work experience in a related field

ESSAY REQUIRED: Submit an essay outlining their career goals and must indicate why the student has chosen nursing or law enforcement and why this scholarship will be financially beneficial to the applicant.

BILL VANDELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2 Scholarships | $300

- Graduating high school senior of the Wilcox-Hildreth School OR graduating high school senior who is a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Plan to enroll full-time (minimum 12 hours) at any accredited college, technical or trade school
- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- One award will be given to a student planning to enroll in an agriculture field
- One award will be given to a student planning to enroll in a health-related field

BRADEN BADERTSCHER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Be enrolled full-time in any College, University, Technical or Trade School
- Be an active member of the Holdrege FFA program
- Have maintained a cumulative GPA of 2.5 during the student's high school career
- Preference will be given to students enrolled in an agriculture-related field of study
- Involvement in school and community activities will be a consideration

ESSAY REQUIRED: Students must write a short essay which answers these two questions:
1) What have you learned through your involvement in FFA and how has it benefited your life?
2) Who has influenced you the most in determining your chosen field of study?

BRUCE HILSABECK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a graduate, or a graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Be a resident of Phelps County
- Must have a GPA of 3.0 or better
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student at any university, college, trade or technical school in Nebraska

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include an essay telling of the applicants goals.
CHAD BAILEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a graduating senior or high school graduate from Holdrege High School
- Minimum 2.0 GPA on a scale of 4.0
- Be planning to enroll or enrolled full-time as an undergraduate student at a college, university, technical, or vocational school leading to a degree in education, political science, law, or public administration.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Describe a time when you faced a problem or challenge, how you worked through it, how you included others to help, and what you would do differently the next time.

CLIFFORD, MARIAN AND MICHAEL BARNES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate of Holdrege High School or of Central Valley Public School in Greeley, Nebraska (successor to North Loup-Scotia High School) or their successors (with no partiality being given to either school)
- Must have successfully completed two years of college or university study
- Be enrolled in a college/school of Fine Arts or Architecture or be enrolled in any college/school while pursuing a degree or endorsement (including a teaching endorsement) in the Fine Arts or Architecture
- Be enrolled as a full-time student (as may be defined by the curriculum guide of the particular educational institution)

SELECTION WILL BE BASED ON:
- Reasonable probability that the student will successfully complete his or her course of study is a determinative factor.
- No bias shall exist in favor of any specified course of instruction.
- No bias shall exist in favor of any educational institution or in any particular state (provided, however, that the educational institution must be accredited).

CLIFTON & ALBERTA WHITE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- A graduating senior who is a resident of Gosper or Furnas County in Nebraska
- Be enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 hours) in an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning in the State of Nebraska leading to either a two or four-year degree or certificate, in any field of study
- Must have maintained a 2.5 GPA

Awards will be split between the first two years of school.

ESSAY REQUIRED:
Include an essay explaining career goals and your financial need.

CLIVE E. & CHARLOTTE E. LANTZ SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- A graduating senior residing in the geographical area representing the former Hildreth High School District OR a graduate of the former Hildreth High School
- Planning to enroll full-time in any college, technical or vocational school or university in a minimum two-year program
CURLY GEER SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate of Holdrege High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any technical or trade school located in the State of Nebraska
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or greater
- Be enrolled as a full-time student

*The scholarship is not limited to first-year technical/trade school students. Scholarship recipients shall also be eligible for a scholarship for their subsequent school year upon successfully reapplying for the scholarship. Provided, however, that no candidates shall receive scholarships for more than two (2) school years.*

DELAUN RUPKALVIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a graduating senior of any high school
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any technical, trade or vocational school
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Preference is given to students whose parents were members of the Holdrege High School Class of 1987

DELIA BRUGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $2,000

- Be a graduating senior of the Alma, Nebraska Public High School
- Plan to enroll at any college, technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 3.3 (90.0% or higher)
- Exhibited involvement in school-related activities and sports
- Be enrolled in a field of study related to business
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Involvement in church and community activities is preferred

DIANN S. HARRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate or graduating senior Holdrege High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college or university pursuing a 4-year undergraduate degree
- Must be ranked in the top 30% of his/her class if a high school senior, or have a GPA of 3.0 or better if student is already in college
- Be enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 hours)
- Preference will be given to students who plan to continue or are currently involved in music. This involvement is based on the student participating in band or vocal programs at the high school and/or college level
DOSEE & TOM D. MORRIS MEMORIAL ART SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Must have graduated from a Phelps County high school OR have been a Phelps County resident at the time of high school graduation
- Must be pursuing a two-year or four-year degree or certification in art
- Must be currently enrolled as a post-secondary student or have completed at least one year, at an accredited, tax exempt school or institution of high learning, including a college, university, technical or vocational school
- Must be enrolled part time (at least nine credit hours) or full time in an accredited school
- If in the first year of higher learning, maintenance of a 3.0 grade point average in high school
- Maintenance of a 3.0 grade point average while in college
- Some display of character and non-academic activities

DONALD E. SJOGREN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP - FUNK FRIDHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH MEMBERS

Number Awarded Varies | Varies (will not be less than $1,000)

- Be a graduating senior of any High School
- Be an active member of Funk Fridhem Lutheran Church; and
- Be planning to enroll full time as an undergraduate student at a college, university, technical, or vocational school program leading to a two-year certificate or four-year degree.

DONALD E. SJOGREN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Varies (will not be less than $1,000)

- Be a graduating senior of any Phelps County High School
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Be planning to enroll full time as an undergraduate student at a college, university, technical, or vocational school program leading to a two-year certificate or four-year degree.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicants must submit an essay outlining their career goals

DOROTHY SWANSON LEWIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be either a graduating senior residing in the geographical area of the Bertrand School District OR a graduate of Bertrand School District
- Be planning to enroll full-time at a post-secondary institution
- Preferences are given to the students pursuing degrees in the following order: 1. Registered Nurse (RN); 2. Medical Science Field; or 3. Education
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or 90% on a 100% scale
- Preference shall be given to high school seniors

*Awards paid in full SECOND semester of the academic year.*
DR. MARVIN MONSON MEMORIAL/HOLDREGE YOUNG FARMERS SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a graduating senior at Holdrege High School
- Be planning to enroll full-time in an accredited, tax-exempt college, university or technical school and pursue either a two or four-year degree or certificate in the field of agriculture
- Display of character and non-academic activities and participation in 4-H and Future Farmers of America will be considered

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include a statement (200 words maximum) by the applicant’s parents/guardians which presents a picture of the family situation and background of the applicant. Please omit names as all applications are confidential.

E.L. LINDSAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Graduating high school senior of the Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- Must be planning to enroll, full-time, at any accredited college, technical or trade school

ESSAY REQUIRED: Summary of 300 words or less. In this summary address: Type of family, your goals, financial need and any additional information you want to share with the committee.

EARL & CAROLINE HIGH SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000 per year for up to four years

- Be a graduating senior OR a graduate of Bertrand High School
- Enrolled or planning to enroll full-time in an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning, leading to either a two-year, four year, graduate degree or certificate in any field of study
- Maintain a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale

Annually, the student must provide the PCCF with grade transcripts verifying a 2.5 or better GPA.

EMILY SWENSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $20,000 ($5,000 for 4 years)

- Be a graduating senior of Bertrand High School District #54
- Must have attended Bertrand High School since the beginning of his/her Junior year
- Must be planning to enroll full-time as an undergraduate student at a college, university, technical or vocational school in a program leading to a 2 or 4-year degree
- The highest grade point average based on the student’s high school transcripts.
- In the event of a tie, the PCCF will rely solely on the student’s ACT or SAT scores to determine the recipient

FORREST & VIOLET MORRISON MEMORIAL LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- A graduating senior at Loomis High School
- Planning to pursue a two-year or four-year degree or certificate on a full-time basis

ESSAY AND LEADERSHIP ACCOMPLISHMENTS REQUIRED: Include a list of your leadership accomplishments and an essay describing your thoughts on what attributes are necessary for a good leader.
FRANCES M. EBMEIER SCHOLARSHIP – Graduating Senior

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Must be a graduating senior of Loomis High School
• Must reside within the Loomis School District
• Must plan to enroll at any college, technical or trade school
• Must have a GPA of 2.0 or better
• Must be enrolled as a full-time student

An award recipient shall not be eligible for a subsequent award

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicant must submit an essay answering the following question:  How did elementary teachers influence your life?

FRANCES M. EBMEIER SCHOLARSHIP – Non-Traditional Student

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Must be a graduate of Loomis High School
• Must reside within the Loomis School District
• Must plan to enroll at any college, technical or trade school
• Must have a GPA of 2.0 or better
• Must be enrolled as a full-time student

An award recipient shall not be eligible for a subsequent award

SELECTION CRITERIA:
One award will be given to a non-traditional student choosing education after one or more years of working full-time. This student must have graduated from Loomis High School and have lived in the Loomis School District at the time of high school graduation. Provided, however, that if there is no qualified applicant in a particular year for the non-traditional student award, the award shall be given to an individual who: (a) has completed at least two (2) years of post-secondary education, (b) graduated from Loomis High School, and (c) lived in the Loomis School District at the time of high school graduation.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicant must submit an essay answering the following question:  How did elementary teachers influence your life?

GARY W. KAUP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Be a graduate of any high school
• Be enrolled at any college, or university and have completed at least two years of post-secondary education
• Must be enrolled in a medical field of study
• Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better
• Be enrolled as a full-time student
• Previous year’s winners may apply for this award, but the award will be given to the best candidate

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicant must submit an essay telling why the medical field is important to them.
HAROLD AND DOROTHY MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Student must be a graduate of any High School in Phelps, Dawson or Buffalo County in Nebraska
- Student must be enrolled as a Junior or Senior at any University or College in math or a natural science (which includes physics, chemistry, biology, astronomy or earth science, and sub-disciplines) degree program or in a Graduate degree program in any such discipline at any University
- Student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher
- Student must be enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 hours)

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicant must submit a page essay stating why he/she has chosen the field of study and how he/she plans to use the degree.

HARRY AND EVELYN DAHLSTROM SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of any Phelps County High School
- Be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical, or trade school in the state of Nebraska
- Have a GPA of 2.75 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- ACT scores are NOT to be considered for this award
- Students must exhibit involvement in school and community and must be deemed a contributing citizen
- The ideal applicant will not necessarily have the best grades, but will exhibit a good work ethic and probability to succeed
- Previous winners may apply in subsequent years

HARVEY E. & MARGUERITE SANDSTROM MCDOWELL SCHOLARSHIP

2 Scholarships | Amount Varies

APPLICANT MUST MEET ONE OF THESE FOUR CONDITIONS:
1) Be a Bertrand resident with either a high school diploma or a General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.) OR
2) Be a Bertrand native with either a high school diploma or a General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.) OR
3) Be a graduate of Bertrand High School OR
4) Be a graduating senior at Bertrand High School
- Applicant must apply to an accredited college, technical school or university, with a minimum two-year program, which qualifies as a tax-exempt institution
- First priority will be given to those pursuing a career in a health field or mortuary science. If no applicants are entering these fields, the field of interest will not be a factor
HOLDREGE FIREFIGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | $2,000 ($1,000 for 2 years)

- A high school graduate, (or GED,) whose parent, stepparent or guardian is an active member of the Holdrege Volunteer Fire Department with 10 years of active service or is who is a past member of the Holdrege Volunteer Fire Department who has served 10 years of active duty, or a high school graduate, (or GED,) whose parent, stepparent or legal guardian has died while an active member of the Holdrege Volunteer Fire Department
- Plan to enroll at any college, technical or trade school
- A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a scale of 4.0 is required
- Be enrolled as either a full or part-time student

HOLDREGE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1965 SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a graduating senior from Holdrege High School
- Must reside in Phelps County, Nebraska
- Plan to enroll full-time at any college, technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 hours)
- ACT/SAT scores, athletics and activities are not to be considered

HOLDREGE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966 SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduating senior from Holdrege High School (or a graduate of Holdrege High School who was awarded the scholarship as a graduating senior)
- Must reside in Phelps County at the time of graduation
- Plan to enroll full-time (minimum of 12 hours) at any college, technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
- Previous years’ winners will be eligible to apply provided that the student demonstrates successful completion of previous semesters and maintains at least a 3.0 grade point average.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Complete essay identifying: (i) applicant’s personal characteristics and attributes, and (ii) applicant’s 5-10 year goals following completion of the degree.

HOLDREGE MEMORIAL HOMES SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate or a graduating senior of a Phelps County High School
- Planned, or current field of study, must be in a field of study in nursing, health care, human services or long-term care related field of study
- Have maintained a 2.0 or C average when applying for scholarship award

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include an essay that outlines the student’s intended field of study, and their career aspirations or goals.
HOLDREGE ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

2 Scholarships | $1,000

• Be a graduating high school senior
• Be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
• Plan to enroll full-time at any college, trade or technical school
• Have a 3.0 GPA or better
• Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities, church activities, and community service, and/or have demonstrated commitment and responsibility through work experience.
• Preference given to applicants whose parent(s), grandparent(s) or guardian(s) is a current member of the Holdrege Rotary Club.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world and improve their local community.

The Rotary motto is Service Above Self. The Rotary Four Way Test is “of all the things we think, say, or do – 1.) is it the truth? 2.) is it fair to all concerned? 3.) will it build goodwill and better friendships? 4.) will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Please write a brief essay reflecting upon Rotary’s motto or Four Way Test and how these could impact the next phase of your life. Please include any community service you have done to positively impact your community.

HOLDREGE TEAMMATES SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Graduates of Holdrege High School, who were active in TeamMates of Holdrege are eligible to receive this scholarship up to 4 years following their graduation date

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicants must submit an essay briefly describing your experience with TeamMates, and how TeamMates has impacted your life. (Maximum of 400 words)

HOLDREGE TEAMMATES RAY RUYBALID MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Be a graduate or graduating senior of Holdrege High School
• Have actively participated in the Holdrege TeamMates program
• Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
• Have a GPA of 2.0 or better
• Be enrolled as a full-time student
• Consistent involvement in school sanctioned athletics or activities.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Completion of an essay answering the following question: Whether you are on the field, court, or cheering from the stands, tell us about how your involvement in sports or activities has impacted your life.
HOLDREGE TEAMMATES RON URIBE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of Holdrege High School,
- Have actively participated in the Holdrege TeamMates program,
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school,
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Consistent involvement in community activities, volunteer experience, and demonstrating a commitment to citizenship.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Completion of an essay answering the following question: Describe a cause you are passionate about. How do you learn more about it? What makes it so appealing?

HOWARD F. SCHROEDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate of Holdrege High School, Holdrege, NE
- Have completed two years of college
- Be majoring in education
- Have earned a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Some display of character and non-academic activities

HUMPERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- A graduating senior residing in Franklin County, Nebraska
- Be working towards an undergraduate degree, leading to a degree or certificate in an accredited, tax-exempt college, university, or technical college within the state of Nebraska
- Enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 hours) in a two-year or four-year program
- Be pursuing a degree in any field of study
- Be determined to have reasonable probability to successfully complete his or her course of study

Scholarship award will be paid over the recipient's first two consecutive years of higher education

IRENE ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $800*

- Graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Planning to enroll at a 4-year college or university
- Selection based on worthiness of student
*Funds held at First State Bank

IVAN & LEONABELLE KIPP SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Be a graduate of Bertrand High School in Phelps County, Nebraska
- Be planning to enroll full-time as an undergraduate student at any college or vocational school
J.L. YOUNG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

3 $500 Scholarships for High School Students | 3 $500 Scholarships for College Students

- Be a graduating senior of Wilcox High School or an undergraduate in an institution of high learning who is a graduate of Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- All previous recipients must maintain at least a 2.0 (C) GPA while in the post-secondary institution
- Must have been a resident of the former Wilcox School District when you graduated
- Attend an accredited school in the state of Nebraska

ESSAY REQUIRED:
In 300 words or less explaining:
  a. What you want to do after your college education;
  b. How the scholarship will be of help towards your endeavor towards higher learning;
  c. Are you planning to move away from or to return to your home community? Why?
  d. Provide any additional information that would be helpful to the selection committee.

J. ROWLAND & ELEANOR MCCLYMONT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate or a graduating senior of Holdrege Senior High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Planned, or current field of study, must be in the Arts and Sciences field and student must be working toward his/her undergraduate degree
- Have a High School GPA of 3.5 (out of a 4.0) or equivalent or be in the top 20% of the graduating high school class
- If qualification above has been met and if currently enrolled in college and receiving this scholarship, student must maintain a GPA of at least 3.2 out of 4.0 or equivalent to continue to receive this scholarship
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities
- Presumption that applicants who have received the award in previous years will continue to receive it

JESS AND WILLA KEIFER SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Must have attended Holdrege Senior High School for at least 2 school years of high school
- Plan to enroll full-time in a 4-year college or university
- Be in the top 25% of their graduating class
- Must have participated in at least two high school sponsored sports each year for all four years of high school
- Must be a good citizen, be well liked by students, faculty, and administration

JOAN TITUS SWAN AND JANE WALLER TITUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate of any Phelps County high school
- Be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student going into any medical or healthcare field
- Demonstrated commitment to obtaining a degree in any medical or healthcare related field
- Preference given to students wishing to return to Phelps County to work
**LAMOINE R. JOHNSON RETIRED EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarship | $500

- Graduating high school senior of the Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- Plan to enroll, full or part-time at any accredited college, technical or trade school

**LAMONTE WOOLLEN SCHOLARSHIP**

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Must be a graduate or graduating senior of any south central (Phelps, Dawson, Gosper, Furnas, Harlan, Franklin, Buffalo, or Kearney county) Nebraska High School
- Must plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
- GPA is NOT a consideration
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student
- Preference will be given to students who are graduating from or have graduated from the Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- Students enrolled in agriculture-related fields of study may be given preference

**LANSING ANDERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate of a Phelps County High School
- Be enrolled full-time in an accredited law college
- Maintain a "B" average while receiving this scholarship (3.0 on a 4.0 scale)

*A prior recipient of this scholarship may reapply each school year. Scholarship is payable per semester after GPA verification of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.*

**LENORE HIGH MORRISON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a resident of Furnas, Harlan, Gosper, or Phelps County
- Be planning to enroll full-time or part-time during the fall semester of the following academic year in an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning, leading to either a two-year or four-year degree or certificate, or an advanced degree, in nursing
- Be graduating or have graduated from an accredited high school or received his/her G.E.D.
- Have maintained a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and must be ranked in the top 20% of his/her class
- Involvement in educational, community and church activities will be considered

**ESSAY REQUIRED:** Include essay addressing the question, “Why I Choose to Study Nursing”.

**LINDA LUM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduating senior from Holdrege High School
- Plan to enroll full-time at any college or university (Exclusive of a trade school or technical school)
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
- Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities, church activities, and community service
M.J. NELSON SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Reside in Holdrege School District #44 boundaries
- A graduating senior of Holdrege or Loomis High School
- Be planning to enroll at any college, technical or trade school
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Preference given to students planning to enroll in a science related field such as teaching, nursing, medicine, homemaking, agriculture, technician, engineering, etc. The selection committee may consider other courses if no applicants fit the selection criteria
- Probability of success is a consideration
- Recipient need not be chosen on the basis of percentile ranking in his/her graduating class

MARK SCHUBERT MEMORIAL SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a post-graduate enrolled in an accredited Protestant Seminary with preference to American Baptist, Evangelical Free, ELCA Lutheran or Methodist denominations
- Be either a full-time or part time student with a minimum of eight (8) credit hours per semester
- Be pursuing a degree in Master of Divinity
- The Donor desires to award said scholarship to students displaying a strong potential to enter into full-time Christian service. Preference will be given to a student who is a Midwest resident (Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, and South Dakota)
- Earned at least a 2.0 GPA while in college

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include an essay describing your desire for Christian service.

MARTY DAMROW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of Holdrege Senior High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Work ethic is a prime requisite of this award
- Students enrolled in a technical or trade school will be given preference in the selection process

REFERENCE: Additional reference from a current employer.

Scholarships awarded to a graduating senior will be paid during the second semester of the calendar year in which the award is given.
MARY JEAN ANDERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

• Be a graduating senior
• Be a Phelps County resident
• Be planning to enroll full-time at any college, technical or trade school
• Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
• Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities, church activities, and community service, and/or have demonstrated commitment and responsibility through work experience

MIKE LANE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

• Be a resident of Phelps County
• Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
• Have a GPA of 2.5 or greater
• Be enrolled as a full-time student
• Technical or trade school students enrolled in or planning to enroll in aviation technology or mechanics will be given preference

NELLIE COLE SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000*

• Graduating senior of Holdrege High School
• Planning to enroll at a technical or trade school
• Selection based on worthiness of student

*Funds held at First State Bank

ORLEANS HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

• A graduating senior
• Residing in the geographical area representing the former Orleans School District No. 530
• Planning to enroll in a minimum two-year program

OTIS E. & DORA P. MUNDELL SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

• Be a graduating senior residing in Phelps County OR a graduate of a Phelps County high school
• Be planning to enroll full-time as an undergraduate at a college, university, technical or vocational school leading to a two-year certificate or undergraduate degree or a graduate degree in nursing
• Involvement in school and community activities and/or work experience
PARKER STURGIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Graduating high school senior of the Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- Must be planning to enroll, full-time, at any accredited technical or trade school

SELECTION CRITERIA:
- College plans and career goals after college
- Description of involvement in school and community activities
- Description of involvement in WHPS sports program
- The scholarship committee's preference based on HS transcripts and references

PATRICK FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be planning to enroll full-time or part-time in any college, university, technical or vocational school leading to a two year or four-year degree in any field of study
- Be Graduating or have graduated from high school or earned a General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.) by the fall semester of the next academic year
- Must be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Have maintained a 2.0 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale
- Involvement in educational, community and church activities will be considered

ESSAY REQUIRED: Submission of a 500-word essay addressing applicant's educational goals and how receiving scholarship will make a difference in applicant's education (given the fact that financial need is a criterion) is required.

PCCF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Varies but will not be less than $1,000

- Be a resident of Phelps County AND a graduating senior at a Phelps County high school
- Be planning to enroll on a full-time basis as a first-year student at a college, university, technical or vocational school
- While in high school, have achieved, a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or 90% on a 100% scale or have graduated in the top 1/3 of his/her class

PCCF COLLEGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP - IN MEMORY OF IVAN & LEONABELLE KIPP

3 Scholarships | Varies but will not be less than $1,000

- Must have completed at least one year of college
- Must be a graduate of a Phelps County High School
- Be planning to attend, on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 hours) an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school
- Must have achieved, while in college, a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

One scholarship will be given to a graduate of each of the three (3) Phelps County High Schools.
PCCF NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Number of Awards Varies | Varies but will not be less than $1,000

- Be a resident of Phelps County
- Have earned a high school diploma or a General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.)
- Be at least 25 years of age as of February 28th
- Be enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours per semester
- Be working toward an undergraduate or associate degree
- Any student who has an immediate family member presently serving on the PCCF Board of Directors or employed by the PCCF is ineligible for this scholarship.

Previous recipients of this scholarship may reapply provided they maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. An applicant may only receive the award up to four (4) years.

PHELPS COUNTY HIGH DEMAND JOBS SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of any high school or have achieved a GED
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or better if currently enrolled in school
- Must maintain a GPA of 2.0 during the scholarship period
- Must be enrolled in school for a minimum of 6 credit hours
- Preference may be given to Phelps County residents or students who are graduating from or have graduated from a Phelps County High School;
- Preference will be given to students who select a technical or trade program of study (consisting of 2 years or less) as opposed to a bachelor's degree program;
- Applicants may be pursuing any field of study

ESSAY REQUIRED: Applicants must submit an essay of 200 words or less, that tells the following: why they wish to return to Phelps County

PMHC MIRIAM FASTENAU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- A dependent of an individual who is currently a full-time or part-time employee of the Phelps Memorial Health Center (PMHC) and who has been an employee of PMHC for a minimum of one year
- A graduating senior, high school graduate, or a G.E.D. recipient who is planning to enroll as a full-time undergraduate student at a college, university, technical, or vocational school program leading to a certificate or degree in a medically related field of study.
- A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a scale of 4.0 is required.

ESSAY REQUIRED: Include a written paragraph entitled “Why I chose to pursue this area of study.”
PHELPS MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER SERVICE LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP

2 Scholarships | $500

- Be a resident of Phelps County OR a graduate of a Phelps County high school
- Have completed at least one year of college at the time of application
- Be pursuing a career as a medical service professional

ESSAY REQUIRED: Essay stating the reasons why you wish to enter the medical field.

RAY RUYBALID MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Be a graduating senior planning to enroll full-time in an accredited tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning to a two-year or four-year degree or certificate
- Must have participated in a minimum of two years in a high school tennis program
- Must have participated in the Holdrege High School’s tennis program during his/her senior year
- Must maintain a 2.5 GPA during high school
- Must be entering as a first-year student in an institution of higher learning
- Some display of character
- Participated in the tennis program and displayed characteristics of sportsmanship, commitment, good work ethic, and positive attitude

ROBERT R. JOHNSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Varies but will be at least $1,000

- Be a graduate of any Phelps County High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical or trade school in the state of Nebraska
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Students must be planning to pursue an education in an agricultural related field
- Preference will be given to Holdrege High School graduates
- ACT scores and GPA are NOT to be a determining factor in the selection of this award

ESSAY REQUIRED: Students must submit an essay telling why they have chosen an agricultural field.

ROD SMITH EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduating high school senior of Holdrege High School in Holdrege, Nebraska
- Maintain a GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0
- Be planning to enroll full-time as an undergraduate student at a college or university
- Be enrolled in a program leading to a four-year degree in education
RODNEY E. FORSBERG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Be a graduating senior of a Phelps County High School
- Have earned a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent while in high school
- Enroll full-time at the University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK)
- Pursue a four-year degree in any field of study
- Some display of character and non-academic activities; high school attendance, leadership roles, community or church involvement

One-half of the scholarship award will be paid in each of the first two semesters. The second payment is contingent upon the applicant earning a first semester minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.

RODONNA HARDEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Must have completed one (1) year of college
- Must be a resident of Phelps County, Nebraska
- Must have been a graduate of a Phelps County High School
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Applicant must be pursuing a degree in elementary education

ROGER D. OLSON AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a resident of Phelps County OR a graduate of a Phelps County high school
- Planning a career in the field of agriculture
- Apply to an accredited college, technical or vocational school or university with a minimum two-year program, which qualifies as a tax-exempt institution
- Merit shall be the primary consideration for this scholarship
- Any student whose parent is presently serving on the PCCF Board of Directors or is employed by the PCCF will be ineligible for this scholarship.

RON LUSH AG SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Graduating high school senior or graduate of Wilcox-Hildreth High School
- Must be planning to enroll, full-time, at any accredited college, technical or trade school
- Must be majoring in an agriculture-related field
- GPA, class rank, ACT and SAT scores should not be considered in selection of the recipient
- An individual may only be awarded this scholarship once

ESSAY REQUIRED: Students must write an essay answering these two questions:
1) What achievements do you want to accomplish over the next 10 years in your chosen field.
2) What opportunities would you try to give to the upcoming youth to encourage them to enter the farm profession.

REFERENCES: Additional reference from a 4-H leader, FFA advisor, or ag teacher
SKALLBERG FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,000

- Be a graduate of any Phelps County High School
- Planning to enroll or be a current student at any technical or trade school
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or greater
- Be enrolled as a full-time student
- Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities, church activities, and community service, and/or have demonstrated commitment and responsibility through work experience.

THEODORE C. & MINNIE C. SWANSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,200

APPLICANT MUST MEET ONE OF THESE THREE CONDITIONS:

- First preference will be given to students who are graduates of any Phelps County High School and are enrolled at an Evangelical Lutheran Church of America Seminary
- Second Preference shall be given to a graduate of Bertrand High School who has completed at least two years of undergraduate studies leading to a degree in a medical field displaying financial need
- Tertiary Preference shall be given to a graduate of Bertrand High School pursuing a two-year or four-year degree in the field of agriculture displaying financial need

Priority for selection is in the order listed above. If recipient is in seminary or a medical field, payment is made during the first semester. If recipient is in the agricultural field, payment is made during the second semester. Prior scholarship recipients may reapply each year.

VERNER AND MILDRED VINZANT SCHOLARSHIP

Number Awarded Varies | Amount Varies

- Must attend, on a full-time basis, a University, College, Technical School, Junior College or other post-secondary institution
- Must be a Bertrand Community School graduating senior
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0
- The scholarship may be awarded only once per person
- Preference will be given to students that have shown academic excellence, have been active in school activities, and have demonstrated community involvement.

GEORGE R. MITCHELL VFW POST #1365 AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $350

- Graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Plan to enroll in accredited college, technical or vocational school or university with a minimum 2-year program which qualifies as a tax exempt institution
- Pursing a degree in agriculture
- Merit is the primary consideration
**VINCENT & MILDRED ABRAHAMSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

4 Scholarships | Minimum of $1,250

- Reside within Holdrege School Dist. #44, Funk School Dist. #74 OR Axtell School District #501 boundaries
- Be a graduating senior; previous years’ recipients are eligible to apply
- Plan to enroll full-time at any college, technical or trade school
- Career goals should include traditional service fields such as, but not limited to, carpentry, electronics, mechanics, nursing, teaching, social services
- Have earned a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Consistent involvement and leadership in extracurricular activities, church activities, and community service, and/or have demonstrated commitment and responsibility through work experience

**WILCOX AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

2 Scholarships | $500

- Must be a graduating senior of Wilcox-Hildreth High School planning to attend on a full-time basis first year at an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school
- Must have earned 2.0 GPA while in high school

**ESSAY REQUIRED:** In 150 words or less, describe your future plans and goals and how this scholarship will help you meet those goals.

**WALTER & ELSIE STARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

1 Scholarship | $500

- Be planning to enroll full-time during the fall semester of the following academic year in an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning in the state of Nebraska, leading to either a two-year or four-year degree or certificate, or an advanced degree or certificate in any field of study
- A graduating senior or graduate of Loomis School District #55 OR have received his/her G.E.D. and be a resident/former resident of the Loomis School District #55
- The donor desires to award said scholarship to students displaying a strong potential to succeed in his/her pursuit of higher education as evidenced by involvement in extracurricular activities, work experience, and educational achievements.
- Preference will be given to a student who has shown continued academic improvement over his/her high school career as evidenced by his/her high school transcript report

**WILLIAM & MARGARET RICHARDS SCHOLARSHIP**

1 Scholarship | Varies but will not be less than $2,000

- A graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Ranked in the top 35% of his/her class academically
- Planning to enroll full-time in a four-year course of study
- Character and nonacademic activities are the primary considerations

**ESSAY REQUIRED:** Include a short statement telling why you think you should receive this scholarship.

*The scholarship is paid in two (2) installments. The first is paid at the beginning of the first semester. The second, paid at the beginning of the second semester, is contingent upon the PCCF receiving written proof of the student maintaining a first semester GPA of not less than 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.*
WILLIS AND ALICE HOLSCHER SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | $1,500

- Be enrolled full time in an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning in the State of Nebraska, leading to either a two or four year degree or certificate, in any field of study
- Have completed two academic years (4 semesters) of college if enrolled in an accredited college or university, or have completed one academic year (2 semesters) of trade school if enrolled in an accredited trade school
- Must have maintained a passing grade during his/her higher education
- Must have graduated from Bertrand High School
- Some display of character and non-academic activities

ESSAY REQUIRED: Submission of a statement as to what he/she has accomplished in the past 2 years and his/her plans for the next 2 years if attending a four-year college. If the student is attending a two-year college, the student must submit a statement as to what he/she has accomplished in the past year and his/her plans for the next year.

YOUTH GOLF SCHOLARSHIP

1 Scholarship | Amount Varies

- Be a graduate or graduating senior of Holdrege High School
- Plan to enroll or be a current student at any college, technical, trade school
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
- Have been a member of Holdrege High School Golf team during their senior year in High School
- Be enrolled as a full time or part time student