



# WESTERN BOONE COUNSELING OFFICE SENIOR NEWSLETTER

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## Western Boone Foundation Scholarships

Annually, the Western Boone Foundation awards over \$20,000 to Western Boone seniors. 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://www.applitrack.com/webo/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Scholarship> openings to apply.

## Scholarship Due Dates and Submission

The scholarship due dates that are posted in this newsletter are typically **RECEIVED BY** dates. That means that the scholarship must be received by the organization on that date. It cannot be turned into the guidance office that day. Please make sure that you are reading the scholarship application and following the directions. If you have questions about where an application should be submitted, please ask Ms. Query **BEFORE** the due date.

The guidance office cannot guarantee applications will be accepted if they are received after the deadline. Please make the responsible choice and turn in completed applications well before the due date that is posted. Not only will you not worry about the application being late, it looks better to the organization that you submitted the application early and may increase your chances of being chosen as the winner.

## Scholarship Application Tips

1. **Consider creating a more professional email address.** Ex: use your Western Boone address and use your name format (firstname.last name@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.** If you must handwrite it, use a black pen!

## HEA 1002 and You

HEA 1002 requires all juniors and seniors to do two things. One, they must participate in a college visit during the school day. Two, they must attend a career fair during the school day. Junior and senior parents should have received an email from Ms. Query with a Forms link to complete the permission slip for the career fair, which will be held on Thursday, April 9th.

## SEA 167 and You

SEA 167 requires all seniors to submit a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Families can complete it today! Students can get started on the process by going to <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch> and completing the information to get a FSA ID. For any additional questions, contact Mrs. Hartman at the email below.

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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:

Denotes a new scholarship



### Special Points:

- Never pay for anything related to scholarships!

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

# Scholarships

## **Boone County Extension Homemakers High School Scholarship**

**March 25, 2026**

Open to Boone county residents who plan on majoring in Consumer and Family Science or a health care field. The application is available on the school website under the guidance section <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance>. Then click on "How can I pay for college". Scholarship is valued at \$1,000.

## **Indiana Association for the Gifted Scholarship**

**March 27, 2026**

Open to seniors who exhibit strong academic achievement, engagement, and future potential. Scholarships are valued at \$2,000 each. Visit <https://www.iaq-online.org/scholarships> for more information and to apply.

## **Lakeside Book Company Scholarship**

**March 30, 2026**

Open to seniors who are either sons or daughters of a Crawfordsville plant eligible employee. Students must have a 3.0 or higher GPA and submit a written essay of 600 words or less on the topic in this year's application. Two, \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded. Applications can be found in the guidance office.

## **Thorntown Businessmen Education Foundation Scholarship**

**March 30, 2026**

Open to seniors who plan on attending a technical or trade school to pursue training in a vocational/trade career. Application is also open to recent graduates. 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 \$5,000 each. The application is available on the school website under the guidance section <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance>. 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, 2026**

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. 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

## **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.

# Scholarships

## **Dylan McGinnis Memorial Scholarship**

Open to seniors with a minimum GPA of 2.5 and who plan to attend a technical, trade, or vocational program. Scholarship is valued at \$2,000 with two or more scholarships being awarded. Applicants must agree to attend the annual golf outing fundraiser; not to play but to represent the scholarship program to players and donors.

## **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.

## **Edward Jones Business 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

## **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.

## **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.

## **Lebanon Professional Firefighters Association Scholarship**

Open to seniors with a minimum 2.75 GPA and who plan on pursuing a career in Fire Science or related field. Scholarship is valued at \$1,000.

## **Lilly Lebanon API Manufacturing Scholarship**

Open to seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA and who plan on pursuing a STEM field of study in college. Two \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded; one to a vocational/trade school and one for a 4 year college in Indiana.

## **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.

## **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?"

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## **Advance Community Christian Church Ministries Scholarship**

**March 31, 2026**

Open to seniors who are planning to seek a 4-year accredited degree in church-based ministries at a Christian college or university. Applicants should have a 3.0 GPA or above and actively involved with a local church. Applicants must submit a recommendation letter from that church. Applications are available in the guidance office and on the guidance website at <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance>. Scholarship is valued at \$1,500.

## **Western Boone Athletic Boosters Scholarship**

**April 1, 2026**

Open to seniors who have a minimum GPA of 3.2 and participated in at least one sport each year in grades 9-12. Applicants must show proof that they are attending a trade school or college after graduation. At least one parent must be a paid sponsor of Western Boone Athletic Boosters by February 1, 2026. Applications are available in the guidance office and on the guidance website at [https://weboschools.org/images/weboguidance/WBAB\\_Scholarship\\_Application\\_2026\\_Fillable.pdf](https://weboschools.org/images/weboguidance/WBAB_Scholarship_Application_2026_Fillable.pdf)

## **Thorntown Knights of Pythias Scholarship**

**April 1, 2026**

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 at <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance>. Scholarship is valued at \$500

## **Indiana Sheriffs' Association Scholarship**

**April 1, 2026**

Open to students who are members of the Indiana Sheriffs' Association or are the child or grandchild of an ISA member and who plan on pursuing full time education in a law enforcement field. Scholarships are valued at \$1,000. Applications can be found at <https://indianasheriffs.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/ISA-Scholarship-Application-2026.pdf>

## **Tri State Desk and Derrek Trade School Scholarship**

**April 1, 2026**

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing a program of study in a trade that will benefit the natural gas industry. Applicants must be US citizens and attend a program in Indiana, Illinois, or Kentucky. Scholarship is valued at up to \$3,000. Applications are available on the guidance website under "How can I pay for college?" <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance>

## **Xi Alpha Sorority Scholarship**

**April 3, 2026**

Open to high school seniors. Students should complete the Xi Alpha application on the guidance website at <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance> under the "How can I pay for college?" section. Students must also write a statement as to how they plan to pay for college expenses and why the student feels like they are deserving of this scholarship. Scholarship is valued at \$500.

## **Ivy Tech Chancellor's Scholarship**

**April 3, 2026**

Open to high school seniors. Applicants must complete the Google form and submit a transcript and reference letter attached to the Google Form. Scholarship amounts vary. Apply at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScndhpu-yU0fn2vjryeKezBILXjKmnPrkbJzxv\\_MTpOTFArw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScndhpu-yU0fn2vjryeKezBILXjKmnPrkbJzxv_MTpOTFArw/viewform)

## **Boone County Right to Life Essay Contest**

**April 6, 2026**

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.



## **Sugar Creek Arts Center Scholarship**

**April 10, 2026**

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing a program of study in an art related career. Students should complete the "General Application" on the guidance website <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance> or in the guidance office. Applicants need to attach supplemental materials such as photographs/copies of art work. Scholarship is valued at \$500. Applications must be turned into the guidance office by the due date.



## **Jamestown Lions Club Service Scholarship**

**April 15, 2026**

Open to seniors who have completed service to their community. Scholarship is valued at \$750. Applications are available on the guidance website <https://weboschools.org/weboguidance> or in the guidance office

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## Indiana Teach Early Childhood Scholarships

May 15, 2026

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing working with students in an early childhood program. This could be seniors who want to earn their child development associate certificate, associates degree, or bachelors degree in early childhood education. The program website and scholarship application can be found at <https://inaeyc.org/programs/teach/scholarship-model/>

## The Trotter Project Scholarships

May 15, 2026

Open to seniors who plan on pursuing a career in hospitality, food science, or culinary/pastry arts. Students must submit a resume highlighting work experiences and community service. A recommendation letter highlighting academic achievement must also be submitted along with a transcript and a video expressing your interest in these fields. Scholarship is valued at up to \$10,000. More information can be found at <https://www.thetrotterproject.org/scholarships>

## Review scholarships through popular national search engines!

FastWeb	<a href="http://www.fastweb.com">www.fastweb.com</a>
Scholarships.Com	<a href="http://www.scholarships.com">www.scholarships.com</a>
College Board Scholarship Search	<a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search</a>
Appily	<a href="https://www.appily.com/scholarships">https://www.appily.com/scholarships</a>
Going Merry	<a href="https://goingmerry.com/">https://goingmerry.com/</a>

### **We highly recommend not paying for a scholarship search service.**

When making accounts with national search engines, consider using an email address that you check, but you also don't mind getting a lot of emails sent to as there are typically many.