

Central Montana Foundation & Area Clearinghouse Scholarships

Universal Application for Central Montana High School Students

Due Date: **March 15, 2025**

This universal application is for the scholarships listed below (several have multiple scholarships available). The application is a fillable PDF and must be typed. **Handwritten applications will NOT be accepted.** Individual scholarships may use different parts of the application, so it is important to fill out all sections. All answers must be limited to the spaces provided within the application. The only attachments to the application are the recommendation letters, your official transcript and any additional page(s) needed for a specific scholarship, as listed below.

Applicant name: _____

High school(s) attended _____

I am interested in becoming a(n) _____

Post-secondary institution planning to attend full-time _____

I am currently:

- ☐ A graduating high school senior
☐ A high school equivalency student (formerly GED) or recent HSE graduate

Type of post-secondary institution attending or plan to attend:

- ☐ Vo-tech/trade school/junior college (2 yr)
☐ Specialized school (art, music, etc.)
☐ University or college (4-yr)

STUDENTS MUST RESIDE IN FERGUS, GARFIELD, JUDITH BASIN, PETROLEUM OR WHEATLAND COUNTY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THESE SCHOLARSHIPS. Please check ONLY the scholarships for which you are eligible:

- ☐ **Central Montana Foundation** (College, University or Vo-Tech) - By checking this box, you will be considered for a variety of scholarships that are available for graduating seniors. See www.fergus.lewistown.k12.mt.us under "Guidance and Scholarships" for a complete list of area scholarships, specific information and criteria.
- ☐ **Brooks Community** (College, University or Vo-Tech) - For graduating seniors or graduates who have resided in the Brooks or Hilger area during high school and have a minimum GPA of 2.5.
- ☐ **Central Montana Foundation Community Service Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – Applicants must be able to document 100 hours of service in the last year. **Community service attachment is required.** Please see detailed instructions and log.
- ☐ **Central Montana Manufacturing Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For a Central Montana graduating senior pursuing an education in technical/trade programs such as welding, machining, electrical, plumbing and heavy equipment operation.
- ☐ **Dale Godfrey Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For an FHS FFA member majoring in an agricultural-related field. Preference for a student attending Vo-Tech. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Darcy Lynn Dengel Memorial Nursing Scholarship** - For a graduating senior or post-secondary student who is a resident of Fergus County, who desires to pursue a nursing degree at an accredited university of college. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Eagles Club Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) - Up to a four-year scholarship for a graduating senior from a Fergus, Judith Basin, or Petroleum County High School, or homeschool student with a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Graduate must have a relative (parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle or sibling) that is a member of the Eagles Club. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Fergus Electric Lineman Scholarship** - For a Central Montana or Montana student planning to attend an accredited line technician school. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Fergus County Medical Society** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For an FHS graduating senior pursuing a career in a healthcare field.
- ☐ **Fergus Federal Credit Union Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For Central Montana graduating seniors. **Applicant or parent must be a member.**
- ☐ **Friendship Lodge #37 – Masonic Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – Four-year scholarships for Fergus, Roy or Winifred graduating seniors. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Hannah Bragg Educational Scholarship** (College or University) – For an FHS graduating senior pursuing a degree in education.
- ☐ **Jim Schultz Memorial Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For an FHS FFA member majoring in an agriculture-related field. **Attachment required.**
- ☐ **Lewistown Art Center Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For a student pursuing a visual arts or performing arts related degree. **Portfolio required** - may be digital.
- ☐ **Lewistown Education Association Scholarship** (Montana College or University) – For an FHS graduate pursuing an education degree at a Montana college or university, or current member of LEA pursuing a graduate degree in any education field. (Graduate student may be enrolled part-time.)
- ☐ **Lewistown Kiwanis Club of Lewistown** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For graduating seniors in Central Montana with community service.
- ☐ **Lewistown Rotary Club Scholarships** (College or University) – For an FHS and a Central Montana graduating senior who plan on attending a college or university.
- ☐ **John & Nan Marty and Joan Marty Smith Memorial Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For a graduating senior from Winnett High School.
- ☐ **Pat Descheemaeker Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For a graduate of FHS or Grass Range High School with a minimum GPA of 3.0 who has competed in cross country or track throughout high school and will be participating at the collegiate level. **Include a letter of intent or other verification of collegiate participation.**
- ☐ **Petroleum County Community Service Scholarship** – For Winnett High School juniors and seniors. Applicants must be able to document 100 hours of service in the past year. **Community service attachment is required.** Please see detailed instructions and log.
- ☐ **PIE Scholarship** (College, University or Vo-Tech) – For a graduating senior from Winnett High School.

Name: _____

This universal application form is used to apply for all Central Montana Foundation and area scholarships. To be eligible a student must be enrolled full-time and attend an accredited college, university or vocational/technical center. Applicant will be scored on all information provided, so make sure all information is complete. Several of the scholarships require additional information or attachments. You are responsible for their inclusion, and you will not be considered for that scholarship if the attachment is missing.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____ Personal Email: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____

Parents' Name(s): _____

I. School Activities – Please list extracurricular, athletic or club-related activities in which you participated and identify year of involvement. (For example: Basketball-11; Pep Band- 9, 10, 11, 12)

II. Community Activities – Please list all of the non-school related activities in which you have participated and level of involvement. (For example: church or recreational activities, etc.)

III. Leadership – Please list any offices held or leadership opportunities you have had or taken ownership in and identify year of involvement. (For example: Band Council Representative-11.)

Name: _____

IV. Volunteer Service – Please list all volunteer service activities in which you have participated. Indicate the level of involvement in terms of hours per week, month or year. (For example: Central Montana Youth Mentor–1 hour per week for 7 months; Boys & Girls Club Volunteer–2 hours per week; Tutor–1 hour per week, etc.)

V. Honors, Awards and Achievements – Potential examples include, but are not limited to: Boys or Girls State, 4-H Congress, National Science Bowl participant, Worker of the Month, Honor Roll, Student of the Month, Kiwanis awards, FFA or BPA awards, honor roll, etc.

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION – Please indicate your first choice of post-secondary schools, colleges or universities you plan to attend. List the necessary information requested below.

School Name	
Major or Program	
Tuition & Fees	
Room & Board	
Books (Estimate)	

Name: _____

WORK EXPERIENCE – Please list the last four job or job-related experiences you have had. Complete each section below for each individual employer. **LIST THE MOST RECENT FIRST.**

Employer #1:		Start Date:	
Nature of Work:		End Date:	
		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #2:		Start Date:	
Nature of Work:		End Date:	
		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #3:		Start Date:	
Nature of Work:		End Date:	
		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #4:		Start Date:	
Nature of Work:		End Date:	
		Avg Hrs/Week:	

OTHER – Are there other considerations the selection committee should be aware of? (List below.)

Name: _____

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY – Type your essay into the fillable PDF on Page 6 of the application. You are limited to the space in the form and an attachment will not be accepted. Please format in paragraphs.

► In what ways have you challenged yourself academically or personally outside of the classroom, and what have you learned from these experiences?

RECOMMENDATIONS & TRANSCRIPT – Please include your Official School Transcript with this application. Make sure it includes all of your current coursework. Include three letters of recommendation from non-family members. One recommendation must come from a teacher, but no more than two from school staff. **Letters should be dated and signed!**

STUDENT CERTIFICATION – I certify the information given on this application is correct.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

SIGN HERE

SCHOOL CERTIFICATION – This section is to be completed by your school's superintendent, principal, counselor or academic officer (as appropriate). Your application will not be considered if this section is not completed.

I certify that the above-signed student:

- ☐ Is a full-time student;
- ☐ Is currently in good academic standing; and
- ☐ Has maintained satisfactory academic progress in school.

Name of Institution: _____

Printed Name of Academic Officer: _____ Title: _____

Signature of Academic Officer: _____ Date: _____

A completed and signed, **SINGLE-SIDED** paper version (electronic copies will not be accepted) of this application and necessary completed supplements must be postmarked or submitted to the following address on or before March 15, 2025.
DO NOT STAPLE!

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