



**FALCON FOUNDATION
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY APPLICATION
2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- ☐ Read all information on Page 2 before beginning the application process.
- ☐ Complete Educational Opportunity Information (Page 1).
- ☐ Complete Personal Data (Page 3). Please complete with a parent/guardian and ensure that both the applicant's and the parent/guardian's signatures are included on the application.
- ☐ Include two brief written letters of recommendation. All recommendations must include the writer's contact information and their relationship to you. Recommendations may be from your teacher(s), employer(s), or coach(es). One letter must be relevant to the opportunity requested, i.e., sports/sports coach, boy scouts/scout leader, music/music teacher, etc. Recommendations will not be accepted from family members or from the tutor/instructor who will be paid with the awarded funds.
- ☐ Include a copy of your most recent school report card or printout from Skyward.
- ☐ Include documentation (brochure, flyer or description printed from website) of the chosen educational opportunity for which you are applying that identifies the location, date(s) and total cost.
- ☐ Photocopy all application materials for your records.
- ☐ Observe the appropriate deadline. Your application must be received/postmarked in a sealed envelope or date stamped at the District office by the appropriate deadline. Application deadline will be strictly enforced:
October 15, 2024: Funds awarded are to be used December 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025.
April 15, 2025: Funds awarded are to be used June 1 through November 30, 2025.
- ☐ Mail or email completed application.
Mail address:
Falcon Foundation Grants & Awards
105 East Evergreen Road Lebanon, PA 17042
Email address: falconfoundation@clsd.k12.pa.us

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY INFORMATION

Student's name: First _____ MI _____ Last _____

Name of your Educational Opportunity: _____

Location _____ Date(s) _____

Amount requested \$ _____ (approved awards range from \$50 to \$1,000 maximum)

Total cost of opportunity \$ _____

Applying on basis of: (please check only one)

- ☐ Superior Achievement (Complete pages 3 and 4)
- ☐ Financial Need (Complete pages 3 and 5)
- ☐ Academic Need (Complete pages 3 and 6)
- ☐ Superior Achievement & Financial Need (Complete pages 3, 4, and 5)
- ☐ Financial Need & Academic Need (Complete pages 3, 5 and 6)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1) Applications will not be considered unless all required parts of the application are clearly and accurately completed. Please use the checklist on page 1.
- 2) There are several ways to apply. You may apply based on one of the following:
 - 1) Superior Achievement (academics, music, athletics, leadership, etc.)
 - 2) Financial Need (only families receiving SNAP benefits or free/reduced school meals can apply)
 - 3) Academic Need (student has an IEP, documented need)
 - 4) Superior Achievement and Financial Need
 - 5) Financial Need and Academic Need
- 3) Applicants must currently be enrolled in a school in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District.
- 4) Based on the grade level at the time of application, Cornwall-Lebanon students may receive a maximum of: **two awards at the elementary school level, one award at the middle school level, and two awards at the high school level.**
- 5) Falcon Foundation awards must be used by time of student's graduation and may not be used for post-secondary (after graduation) opportunities.
- 6) Examples of Educational Opportunities typically funded: music camps, art camps, science camps, skills-based sports camps (not team camps or club sports), enrichment programs, museum classes, leadership workshops, and tutoring/private lessons (must support an academic need).
- 7) Examples of Educational Opportunities NOT typically funded: classes that provide credit toward PA graduation requirements, Senior Project materials/classes/activities, courses that provide college credit, travel to college for interviews or team tryouts, post-graduation programs, travel-oriented programs (People to People, etc.), faith-based summer camps, competitions, vacations, or transportation to/from an event/class/camp, participation in team sports camps, tryouts, showcases, recruitments, club group trips, or club/travel sport teams. Please note: the only time funding is considered for District sports team camps and District summer music programs is when there is a documented academic or financial need.
- 8) The Falcon Foundation Grants & Awards committee will complete the review of applications within one month of the deadline. Applicants may be asked to provide additional documentation of facts presented. Applicants will be notified by mail of award decisions within six weeks of the deadline.
- 9) The Student Award Recipient (or a designee to represent the student) is required to attend the awards reception hosted by the Falcon Foundation on the fourth Wednesday in September.
- 10) Student Award Recipients are required to submit a written report, with picture and or video, describing their educational opportunity. The Falcon Foundation student liaison will provide details for this report after award recipients are selected and notified.

Mission Statement: The Falcon Foundation was incorporated in 2000 exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, particularly to support or enhance the educational and enrichment opportunities (social, cultural, and athletic) for all people in the Cornwall-Lebanon Community.

*Please address all questions to Falcon Foundation Grants & Awards Chairperson:

John Sowizral (717) 269-9289.

Or, via email: falconfoundation@clsld.k12.pa.us

PERSONAL DATA

All applicants must complete this page.

Student's name: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

School _____ Grade _____ Homeroom teacher _____

Both signatures are required below to indicate that all information provided in this application is correct.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Extracurricular Experiences: (please attach additional sheet(s) if necessary)

MUSIC/DRAMA (list names of orchestras, choirs, bands, shows, awards)

ACADEMIC (list names of academic camps, independent studies, science fairs, awards)

ATHLETIC (list relevant sports team names, dates played, awards)

WORK (list employer(s), position, date(s) employed, responsibilities)

VOLUNTEER (list organization/institution, tasks performed, and dates)

LEADERSHIP (list offices or positions of leadership)

ADDITIONAL (list any other honors or awards)

SUPERIOR ACHIEVEMENT WARRANTING RECOGNITION

(Complete this section **ONLY** if applying based on Superior Achievement)

QUALIFICATIONS

1) List the area(s) in which you have attained superior achievement.

(academics, music, drama, athletics, leadership, etc.)

2) Briefly describe why you think you qualify for an award based on superior achievement.

(Relate your achievements to your chosen educational opportunity.)

3) How will this opportunity benefit you, your school, and/or our community?

4) What are your career goals? Does this opportunity enhance these goals?

FINANCIAL NEED INFORMATION

*** (Complete this section **ONLY** if applying based on Financial Need) ***

Only families receiving SNAP benefits or free/reduced meals may apply based on financial need.

1) List the names of all household members, age, and relationship to applicant.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

3) Does the applicant currently receive free or reduced school meals? _____

4) Does the household currently receive SNAP / TANF benefits? _____

5) Briefly describe any other circumstances that you believe justify an award based on financial need. (Information will remain confidential.)

6) How will this opportunity benefit you, your school, and/or our community?

7) What are your career goals? Does this opportunity enhance these goals?

ACADEMIC NEED INFORMATION

[Complete this section **ONLY** if applying based on academic need]

DOCUMENTATION: Please provide copies of the following documents:

____ PSSA scores (if available) ____ District Assessments

DOES THIS STUDENT HAVE AN IEP OR GIEP?

(Please circle one) **IEP:** **Yes** **No** **GIEP:** **Yes** **No**

RECOMMENDATIONS: The two required letters of recommendation mentioned on Page 1 should be from the student's teacher(s), guidance counselor or psychologist supporting the need for academic enrichment. Current District benchmark assessments should be included in the recommendation letters to document the student's academic need. As noted on Page 1, recommendations **will not** be accepted from the tutor or instructor who will be paid with the awarded funds. (All information provided will remain confidential.)

1) How will this opportunity benefit you, your school, and/or our community?

2) What are your career goals? Does this opportunity enhance these goals?
