



College Bound Scholarship Program Application for 2022-2023 (New Applicant)



(See reverse side for scholarship guidelines) – (219) 853-6503

Section I: Applicant Information

First Name M.I. Last Name

Address City State Zip Code

Phone Number Email Address (optional)

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)

First Name M.I. Last Name Natural Parent Custodial Parent

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The applying student must reside with the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) who must be able to demonstrate proof of home ownership by attaching a copy of their current homestead exemption, and proof of purchase date of the home to this application. If student's last name is different from parent's name a copy of the birth certificate must be included.

Section II: Semester Indicate semester for which you are requesting the scholarship

- Fall 2022
- Spring 2023

Note: The College Bound Scholarship does not cover the cost of summer sessions, room and board or books.

Section III: Educational Plans Indicate the name and location of the Indiana college or university that you plan on attending. Be sure to list your college ID #. **Attach a letter of acceptance/admission to this application.**

Name of College: _____

Location: _____

Your Student College ID Number: _____

Section IV: Other Scholarships/Financial Aid List all other scholarships or financial aid (FAFSA), **except** loans that you have applied for, including the anticipated award amount. College Bound Scholarship is secondary to all other tuition based scholarships and grants.

- Yes, I have completed the FAFSA application (**Due by 4/15/22**)
- No, I have not completed the FAFSA application

Section V: High School Information

High School Attended: _____

Total SAT score _____ or **Composite ACT score** _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Signature of High School Counselor: _____

It is your responsibility to return your completed application with required attachments (proof of current homestead exemption, proof of home purchase date, college letter of acceptance/admission, proof of application for financial aid (FAFSA), certified grades, and SAT/ACT scores if needed) to:

**College Bound Scholarship Program
Attn: Sharon M. Daniels, Coordinator
5925 Calumet Avenue – Room #115
Hammond, IN 46320**

Deadline: Friday, July 1, 2022 Late applications **will not** be accepted under any circumstances

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Received _____ Approved/Denied _____ Sent letter _____

Notes _____

Application Deadline

If you are a first time applicant you are encouraged to apply as soon as you receive your official transcripts from your high school counselor after graduation, but no later than **Friday, July 1, 2022**. Award notifications are sent within 3 weeks of receiving the completed application. Students must apply by July deadline of the year they graduate high school.

Basic & Performance Eligibility (See www.collegebound.gohammond.com for full details on eligibility)

- Complete and sign this application and include your final high school transcripts, with graduation date noted.
- Demonstrate that you live in an owner-occupied home within Hammond city limits. Proof of home ownership for the purposes of *College Bound* will require that the parent or legal guardian own a home with a current homestead exemption. Proof of a Homestead Exemption can be obtained from the Lake County Auditor's Office – (219) 755-3120.
- Proof of home purchase date.
- Provide proof of legal guardianship in those situations where a natural parent is not the legal guardian.
- Attend any accredited public or private high school.
- Complete application for financial aid (FAFSA) by the Indiana deadline date (Due by 4/15/22). Regardless of eligibility for assistance, and disclose all scholarships and aid to the *College Bound Scholarship Program*. Bring proof of FAFSA.
- Provide birth certificate if student's last name is different from parent's name.
- Graduate with a cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.) of 3.0 or higher from an accredited public or private high school. Home-schooled students may apply for the scholarship through the program's exception process. Students who achieve at least a 1,030 total score on the SAT (evidence-based reading and math) or a 21 composite score on the ACT, **and** a G.P.A. of at least 2.5 will also be considered eligible for the scholarship.
- Provide a letter of acceptance/admission to an accredited Indiana based public or private college or university. The public or private college or university must be accredited through the North Central Association Commission.
- Begin college studies within 16 months of graduation from high school.
- **It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit this application to the *College Bound Scholarship Program* on or before July 1, 2022. If any information changes, *College Bound* needs to be notified as soon as possible. Do not submit an incomplete application.**

Amount of Scholarship The amount of the scholarship is up to \$10,500.00 per year for four years and will be determined by the number of years that the student has lived in a home owned by that student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in Hammond from:

- 6th thru 12th grade- Eligible for up to the entire 100% scholarship amount;
- 7th thru 12th grade- Eligible for up to 90% of the scholarship amount;
- 8th thru 12th grade- Eligible for up to 80% of the scholarship amount;
- 9th thru 12th grade- Eligible for up to 70% of the scholarship amount;
- 10th thru 12th grade- Eligible for up to 60% of the scholarship amount.

All students of a Hammond homeowner who attend an accredited high school outside of Hammond are eligible for up to 100% of the scholarship providing they meet all other scholarship eligibility requirements (including a valid current homestead exemption), subject to the schedule above.

Continuing Eligibility

- **Reapply each year by the July deadline** and provide the program with a copy of your most current grade transcripts, proof of FAFSA, and parental homestead exemption. **Late applications will not be accepted under any circumstances.**
- Provide a detailed account of all scholarships and financial aid received including the source and amount of such awards, including 21st Century and State of Indiana awards. The *College Bound Scholarship Program* is secondary to all other tuition based scholarships and grants. (See *Section IV*).
- Be enrolled in college credit producing courses and in an undergraduate degree-seeking program after your first year of study. The *College Bound Scholarship Program* cannot be utilized towards a graduate degree.
- Maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average (measured on an annual basis) during four consecutive years of college and release those grades to the *College Bound Scholarship Program*.
- The student **must** perform 40 hours of community service per year as assigned by the *College Bound Scholarship Program*. Assignment of community service will be made each spring by the *College Bound Coordinator*. Students who do not complete the assigned community service will be required to pay back any funding received from the City of Hammond.
- An interruption in the student's college education lasting more than one semester shall be cause for ineligibility. Should you become ineligible, you **may not** rejoin or restart participation in the *College Bound Scholarship Program*.
- Take and earn 12 credit hours per semester.
- The scholarship is available to eligible students for 8 semesters within a 5-year timeframe. Summer sessions are not eligible for scholarship assistance.
- Your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) must continue to live and maintain home ownership in Hammond (monitored through proof of a current homestead exemption) until you complete your fourth year of college. The scholarship will be immediately cancelled should your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) move out of Hammond.

Authorization of Release of Records and Acknowledgement of Program Requirements

I hereby authorize representatives of the City of Hammond's *College Bound Scholarship Program* to receive academic information, or other information from my high school or university necessary to process my application. **I have attached proof of home ownership (current homestead exemption), proof of home purchase date, grade transcripts, proof of financial aid, disclosure of all other scholarships, and a letter of college acceptance/admissions.** I understand a list will be made public showing all recipients, amount received, and the college/university attended. Failure to meet the requirements of the *College Bound Scholarship Program* will result in the loss of eligibility.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date