



2017-2018 College or University Scholarship

Scholarship Criteria for Students Attending a Four-Year Ohio-Based College or University

The Ohio Council of Community Schools (OCCS) is pleased to announce it will again be offering multiple scholarships to support students from OCCS-affiliated community schools furthering their education at a four-year Ohio-based college or university. As a sponsor of community schools across Ohio, OCCS developed this scholarship as an extension of its commitment to helping students attain higher levels of education. Each award will be a one-time, renewable scholarship ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. Preference is given to undergraduate and first-generation college students.

I. Eligibility

In addition to enrolling full-time at a four-year Ohio-based college or university for the 2017-2018 school year, the student must have:

- a. Attended an OCCS-affiliated community school (grade school or high school);
- b. A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher;
- c. Completed a standardized admissions test (ACT or SAT); and,
- d. Completed the 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

II. Deadlines and Documents

To be considered for the scholarship, OCCS requires the following documents to be submitted by **May 12, 2017**:

- a. 2017-2018 scholarship application (including supporting documents);
- b. Evidence the candidate attended an OCCS-affiliated community school;
- c. A transcript indicating the candidate's cumulative grade point average;
- d. Standardized admissions test results (ACT or SAT); and,
- e. "Student Aid Report" from the 2017-2018 FAFSA.

III. Selection Process

Upon receipt of a completed scholarship application and all other required documents, OCCS will verify the candidate's eligibility and other information with the four-year college or university which the candidate will be attending.

Completed applications from eligible candidates will be reviewed and award winners will be notified by May 26, 2017. Please note, incomplete or late applications will not be considered.



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To be considered for this scholarship, applicants must have attended an OCCS-affiliated community school; plan on attending a four-year, Ohio-based college or university full-time in the fall of 2017; have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher; provide results from a standardized admissions test (ACT or SAT); and, submit the "Student Aid Report" from the 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

This application and all supporting documents must be received at the OCCS office by **May 12, 2017**. Previous scholarship recipients may reapply. Preference is given to undergraduate and first-generation college students.

Mail or deliver your application to: Ohio Council of Community Schools
ATTN: Scholarship Team
3131 Executive Parkway, Suite 306
Toledo, OH 43606

If you have any questions, please call Cara Perry at (419) 720-5200 or send an email to scholarships@ohioschools.org.

Section One: Personal History

School where I will be enrolling:

Last Name First Name Middle Name

Permanent Address

City State Zip County

Telephone Number Email Address Date of Birth

Gender: Female Male Citizenship Status: U.S. Citizen Eligible Non-Citizen Non-Citizen

Ethnic Background *(Optional, voluntary, and will be treated as confidential. No adverse actions for not responding.)*

African American American Indian/Alaskan Asian American/Pacific Islander Caucasian/White
 Hispanic American Other:

Section Two: Educational History

High School Name

Address City State Zip

I will attend classes: Full-time (12 hours or more) Part-time (Less than 12 hours) Major:

I will be enrolling as a/an: Undergraduate Student Graduate Student

Cumulative GPA:

Which community school did you attend?

Which school years?	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013
	2011-2012	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008
	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004	2002-2003
	2001-2002	2000-2001	1999-2000		

Section Three: Personal Achievements / Accomplishments *(Additional pages may be attached.)*

Activities and Involvement: *(Please list club extracurricular activities, athletic participation, etc.)*

Name of Activity/Club	Number of Years Involved	Offices or Leadership Role	Number of Years in Position
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Community Activities and Involvement: *(Please list volunteer experience, community service, etc.)*

Name of Activity/Club	Number of Years Involved	Offices or Leadership Role	Number of Years in Position
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Employment Experience:

Name of Employer	Position Held	Number of Years
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Do you know someone affiliated with the Ohio Council of Community Schools? Yes No

If yes, what is your relationship with that person?

Please attach a typed statement (no more than three pages) that addresses at least two of the following:

1. Your personal, professional, and academic goals, including reasons for attending this college or university.
2. If you are a first generation college student, details on why attending college is important to you and your family.
3. Details on how your community school experience prepared or inspired you to pursue a four-year degree.
4. Any financial or personal circumstances the committee should consider when reviewing your application.

Statement of Integrity and Authorization of Release

I certify that the information contained in this application is complete, accurate, and true. I understand that any misrepresentation of facts on this application could be cause for revocation of scholarships. I further understand that the information provided in this application may be used by OCCS to publicize the scholarship program in the media and in other printed materials. Applicant's signature grants OCCS and the Office of Student Financial Aid at the student's chosen four-year college or university permission to release grade and financial-need information as necessary.

Signature*:

Date:

*** Required**

The Ohio Council of Community Schools is committed to a policy of equal opportunity in education, employment, and contracts, and no differentiation will be made based on race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, veteran status, or disability.