

THE LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

of the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County
(Application due Friday, September 13, 2019)

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships provide full tuition, required fees, and up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study leading to a baccalaureate degree at any Indiana public or private college or university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Please carefully review all of the information listed below, including eligibility, required documents, financial aid application and due date.

ELIGIBILITY

Student must:

- be a resident of St. Joseph County, Indiana.
- graduate from an **accredited Indiana high school** by June 30, 2020.
- intend to pursue a full-time baccalaureate course of study beginning in the Fall of 2020 at an accredited public or private Indiana college or university.
- possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.8 OR an SAT score of 1200 out of 1600 (or ACT equivalent) at the conclusion of the sixth semester. We will accept the highest Evidence-Based Reading and highest Math scores if the SAT was taken more than once.

Eligibility Note: *Family members of those serving on the scholarship nomination committee or Community Foundation staff are deemed ineligible (defined as spouses, lineal descendants and their spouses, siblings and their spouses).

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Complete the 2020 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Application found online at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cfsjcscholarship>
- 1-page letter of recommendation from a person in a leadership position who knows you well (e.g. teacher, principal, guidance counselor) **submitted through the online system**. The letter should not come from family members.
- Official transcript through spring semester Junior year (6th semester) that includes your high school class ranking. You may need to request that your class ranking be included. This should be uploaded by a school official into the online scholarship system.
- Official copy of SAT or ACT results. **Results listed on your official transcript will be accepted.**

APPLICATION SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Additional information that has not been requested will not be accepted.
- Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. There will be no exceptions.**

Online application must be complete and submitted by **5:00 p.m., Friday, September 13, 2019**. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure the application is complete and all materials are received on or before the deadline.

Selection Criteria and Process:

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship is a merit based scholarship award. The Selection Committee will take into consideration the following criteria: GPA, SAT score, class rank, demonstrated leadership, involvement in school-related activities, community service, employment history, written essays, letter of recommendation, member of an underrepresented group, and if the student is the first generation of her/his family to attend college. A personal interview will also weigh significantly in the Committee's selection process. **The process and applicants' status is held in strict confidence.**