

CRYSTAL LAKE CHAMBER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Welcome! We are excited that you are applying for the Crystal Lake Chamber Foundation Scholarships. Our mission is to assist future leaders by providing financial and educational resources to support those pursuing their dreams at a four-year college, two-year college, or trade school.

*Application becomes live on **January 16th, 2026**

<https://forms.gle/ZBZ9SJ9g7wyiwsq26>

*Application Deadline: **Friday, March 3, 2026, by 3:00 p.m.**

*Recommendation due **Friday, March 13, 2026, by 3:00 p.m.**

(will be sent once the application is submitted)

You will be considered for multiple scholarships based on your completed application. These include awards for students pursuing business, law, skilled trades, journalism/communications, healthcare, and general education pathways.

- **Exemplar Financial Network Scholarship:** (1 available at \$2,500)
- **Caldwell Family Legacy Scholarship:** (2 available at \$2,000)
- **Skilled Trades Scholarship, Sponsored by Weyers McKeever Financial Partners:** (1 available at \$2,500)
- **Shaw Media Journalism & Communications Scholarship:** (1 available at \$1,000)
- **Conscious College Planning Scholarship:** (1 available at \$1,000)
- **Mathnasium of Crystal Lake Careers Scholarship** (1 available at \$1,500)
- **Joe and Sandy Postelnick** (3 available at \$1,000)
- **Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital Healthcare Careers Scholarship** (\$500)
- **Bob Blazier Community Scholarship** (\$250-\$500)
- **Crystal Lake Chamber Foundation Community Scholarship** (\$250-\$1000)

! Important Information

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Attachments Required for a Completed Application:

- Resume (PDF or Word)
- Essay (350-500 words, typed, PDF or Word)
- PROMPT: What part of your background, identity, or life experience is most important to who you are today? How will it shape the way you contribute to your community?
- Names & emails of 2 recommenders (at least one must be a teacher you had in class)

Finalist Interviews: If selected, you will be required to participate in an interview on **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**.

Scholarship Luncheon: Winners are required to attend the GEMS Luncheon on **Thursday, April 23, 2026**.

Before You Begin

- Have your resume and essay saved and ready to upload.
- Make sure you have the names and emails of your two recommenders.

By completing this application, you agree that all information provided is true and accurate.

