FAQs about Scholarships from Arkansas Community Foundation

Who can apply?

Each scholarship has its own eligibility criteria; in general, our scholarships are for Arkansas students pursuing higher education at a two- or four-year college or university, vocational school or technical training program. Some scholarships are for graduates of a specific high school or those who plan to attend a particular college. Others are based on extracurricular activities or certain college majors.

How do I apply?

Visit www.arcf.org/apply/scholarships/. Click the box saying, "Take Quiz". "Create an Account" through our online application portal and take the Eligibility Quiz. Then complete the application for each scholarship you want to apply for.

Who selects scholarship winners?

Some scholarships are selected by committees convened by the high school counselor; typically, these committees include teachers, administrators and/or community leaders associated with the school. Other scholarships are selected by volunteers and board members for Arkansas Community Foundation and its affiliates around the state.

What happens if I win?

You'll receive a letter from Arkansas Community Foundation with instructions for claiming your scholarship award. Once you enroll in college, you'll submit proof of enrollment to the Community Foundation. Then, we'll send a check to the college's business office, and the scholarship will be credited to your student account. Payment never goes directly to the student.

Where does the scholarship money come from?

Scholarship funds are created at Arkansas Community Foundation by families, businesses and individuals who want to support higher education and invest in Arkansas students. These donors determine the scholarship amount and eligibility criteria for the scholarships they create, and Arkansas Community Foundation manages the scholarship process on their behalf.

Additional questions? If you need assistance with the application process or have questions about eligibility requirements, contact Jane Jones at jjones@arcf.org

