



Batesville Community Education Foundation

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Instructions for Applying for BCEF Scholarships

The number of scholarships and the amount of money distributed may vary from year to year.

*NOTE: According to BCEF rules, **the following family members** of current BCEF board members/staff/ BCEF scholarship selection committee **are ineligible** to receive any of these scholarships: spouses, siblings, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren; and spouses thereof (if applicable.)*

NOTE: Any BCEF scholarship recipient who receives total scholarships from all sources in excess of the total cost of attendance for their selected college must immediately notify BCEF so that an alternate recipient may be selected.

Read instructions carefully. Applications that are incomplete in any way will not be considered. This includes missing signatures.

1. Determine which scholarship(s) you would like to apply for. Criteria for each scholarship are included on the application cover page.
2. Download and save the BCEF Common Scholarship Application to your computer and complete using the fillable form.
3. Be sure to sign the application, sign the photo release and the acknowledgment about the BHS Student Code of Conduct, and if you are under 18, also have your parent/guardian sign. Application is INCOMPLETE without signatures.
4. Include in each application packet:
 - a. Cover page, with the name of the scholarship for which you are applying checked;
 - b. A copy of the application;
 - c. High school transcript;
 - d. Copy of FAFSA Submission Summary page with Student Aid Index (this page only, do not need entire FAFSA form). This is required for college-bound students but optional for trade school applicants; and
 - e. Any supplemental information required for a particular scholarship (i.e. essay or other information requested in application).
5. Submit a separate **single-sided, unstapled paper copy** of the packet **for each scholarship to:**
Batesville Community Education Foundation, P.O. Box 121, Batesville, IN 47006. Packet may also be dropped off at the BCSC Administration Building, clearly labeled "BCEF Scholarship Application."
6. After submission of application, email a photo of yourself to info@BatesvilleEducationFoundation.org with "Photo for BCEF scholarship app" and your name in subject line.
7. Scholarship applications are due no later than 4:00 PM on February 28, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted.
8. Questions may be directed to BCEF Executive Director Anne Wilson at awilson@batesville.k12.in.us.



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A copy of this cover page must accompany **each** scholarship application. Please indicate on the cover page which scholarship you are applying for. If applying for more than one scholarship, you must make **additional copies of the application and cover page for each**.

James E. Fritsch Memorial Scholarship

- Applicants must be BHS graduating students in the top 20% of the class.
- Five \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded in 2025.

Randy Smith Scholarship

- Applicants must be BHS graduating students in the top 20% of the class. While NOT REQUIRED, special consideration will be given to first-generation college students.
- One \$5,000 one-time scholarship will be awarded and one \$5,000 scholarship, RENEWABLE for up to three additional years with verified cumulative college GPA of 3.0 or greater, will also be awarded.

Mary C. Horstman Memorial Scholarship

- All BHS graduating students who are pursuing additional education of any kind after graduation are encouraged to apply.
- While NOT REQUIRED, if there are any applicants with a direct connection to agriculture (through a family farm, FFA membership, or future field of study) OR who are continuing their education in a trade after high school graduation, their applications will receive special consideration. However, they are NOT guaranteed selection.
- Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in 2025.

Bobbie Brandes Memorial Scholarship

- Applicants must be BHS graduating students in the top 20% of the class.
- Though NOT REQUIRED, the following will be taken into consideration:
 - 1st generation college-bound
 - Demonstrated leadership in school organizations or sports teams
 - Planning to pursue a career in education
 - Civic and community engagement
- One \$3,000 scholarship will be awarded in 2025.

Ron Raver Memorial Scholarship

- Applicants must be BHS graduating students in the top 20% of the class AND have participated in cross country, basketball, or track during high school.
- In addition, applicants should be able to demonstrate that they have the following qualities and characteristics that Coach Raver displayed:
 - Actively involved in school, church, and community
 - Proven determination and perseverance
- One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in 2025.



COMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

James A. Fritsch Memorial Scholarship

Randy Smith Scholarship

Mary C. Horstman Memorial Scholarship

Bobbie Brandes Memorial Scholarship

Ron Raver Memorial Scholarship

Due February 28, 2025 by 4 PM

All applications must be typed. Questions and essays specific to each scholarship are at the end of the application. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Name:

Date of birth:

Home address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Email address:

Home phone (or N/A):

Cell:

Parent #1/Guardian's name:

Parent #1/Guardian's occupation:

Mailing address if different than student's:

Parent #1/Guardian's email address:

Parent #1/Guardian's cell:

Parent #1/Guardian's employer & address:

Parent #2/Guardian's name:

Parent #2/Guardian's occupation:

Mailing address if different than student's:

Parent #2/Guardian's email address:

Parent #2/Guardian's cell:

Parent #2/Guardian's employer & address:

If applicable:

Step-parent's name:

Step-parent's occupation:

Mailing address if different than student's:

Step-parent's email:

Step-parent's cell:

Step-parent's employer & address:

With whom does the student live?

Parents' current marital status: Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Number of family members currently living in your home:

Number who will be in college/trade school this fall (including yourself):

Student Aid Index (SAI) from FAFSA Submission Summary: *(Attach page that shows SAI to this application)*

List the postsecondary institutions where you have been accepted, in order of your likelihood to attend.

#1 Name:

City and State:

Total Cost of Attendance (per academic year) :

Scholarships/grant aid awarded to you by this school (per academic year):

#2

Name:

City and State:

Total Cost of Attendance (per academic year):

Scholarships/grant aid awarded to you by this school (per academic year):

#3

Name:

City and State:

Total Cost of Attendance (per academic year):

Scholarships/grant aid awarded to you by this school (per academic year):

In 200 words or less, please describe how (or if) receiving one of our scholarships will affect your choice of postsecondary institution:

List your intended field of study/major:

High school GPA on a 4.0 scale:

Class rank: /

SAT: Reading/Writing:

Math:

Total Score:

ACT: Eng:

Math:

Rdg:

Science:

Writing (opt):

ACT Composite:

List your top three extracurricular/community services activities during high school, listing them in importance to you.

#1 Name of Activity:

of Years:

Briefly describe this activity and any leadership roles/awards earned during your involvement:

#2 Name of Activity:

of Years:

Briefly describe this activity and any leadership roles/awards earned during your involvement:

#3 Name of Activity:

of Years:

Briefly describe this activity and any leadership roles/awards earned during your involvement:

History of Employment:

Did you work during your high school Yes No

years? If "no", why not?

If yes, please list a maximum of two employers.

Place of Employment #1

Dates of Employment:

Describe your position and work schedule during your high school years.

What skills have you gained from this employment that will serve you in your career?

Place of Employment #2

Dates of Employment:

Describe your position and work schedule during your high school years.

What skills have you gained from this employment that will serve you in your career?

Are you a 21st Century Scholar?

Yes

No

PHOTO RELEASE AND CODE OF CONDUCT CONSENT: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The undersigned hereby consents to the legal use by the Batesville Community Education Foundation (BCEF) of any and all photographs of me, taken by BCEF or provided by me, in reference to this scholarship, in whole or in part, in any form or medium, for news stories, publicity, marketing materials, or other related uses. I understand that BCEF shall have reproduction rights to the images. I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished products or the copy or printed matter that may be used with the photographs. I hereby release BCEF from any and all claims in connection with the photograph(s), including any and all claims of libel.

Also, I am aware that it is the expectation of the Batesville Community Education Foundation that ***I will fully abide by the BHS Student Code of Conduct, both at school and in the community, since scholarship recipients represent BCEF to the public.***

Applicant Signature (sign here) :

Date:

Select ONE box below:

I am over the age of 18. I have read the above and fully understand its contents and give my consent.

OR

I am the parent or guardian of the above scholarship applicant. I hereby grant permission for my child's photograph(s) to be used by the Batesville Community Education Foundation in the manner specified above. I am aware that my child is expected to abide by the BHS Student Code of Conduct. SIGN BELOW.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name (required for applicants under the age of 18):

Parent/Guardian Signature (required for applicants under the age of 18):

Date:

Please see additional pages for essay prompts and other requested information specific to each scholarship.

Horstman Scholarship Applicants ONLY include this page:

NOTE: ALL 2025 BHS graduates pursuing post-secondary education are eligible.

Please check **all** boxes that apply in order to receive special consideration for this scholarship. If neither apply, you are still eligible but should check “Neither of these apply to me.”

I have a direct connection to agriculture. (Provide details below.)

Family farm

FFA Member

I will be majoring in a field of study related to agriculture

Other connection to agriculture not otherwise listed
above

Briefly describe your connection to agriculture.

AND/OR

I plan to continue my education in a trade. (Provide details below.)

Briefly describe your choice of trade, training and certifications already received, and what future training you will be pursuing.

OR

Neither of these apply to me, but I would still like to be considered for the Horstman Scholarship.

Brandes Scholarship Applicants ONLY include this page:

NOTE: BHS graduates in the top 20% of the class are eligible.

Please check **all** boxes that apply in order to receive special consideration for this scholarship. If none apply, you are still eligible but should check “None of these apply to me.”

- 1st generation college-bound student
- Demonstrated leadership in school organizations or sports teams
- Planning to pursue a career in education
- Civic and community engagement

Briefly describe all boxes checked below.

OR

None of these apply to me, but I would still like to be considered for the Brandes Scholarship.

Raver Scholarship Applicants ONLY include this page:

NOTE: BHS graduates in the top 20% of their class and who have participated in cross country, basketball, or track during high school are eligible.

Briefly describe your involvement in cross country, basketball, or track.

In 200 words or less, describe how you have displayed the characteristics of qualities of Coach Raver. Explain your involvement in school, church, and community and how you have modeled determination and perseverance.

Fritsch or Smith Applicants ONLY include this page (if applying to both Fritsch and Smith, attach a separate copy of this page, marked accordingly, to each application)

NOTE: BHS graduates in the top 20% of their class are eligible. If first-generation college student, please check box below for special consideration for the Smith scholarship.

Essay Prompt:

- Choose one: Which do you prefer...a written essay or an oral presentation? Explain why in 300 words or less.

For Smith Scholarship: I am a first-generation college student.