



CHI Scholarship Information for Applicants and Parents/Guardians

Eligibility

All who have successfully completed the CHI campus program and plan to begin or continue post-secondary studies at colleges or trade/professional schools are eligible for these scholarships.

Selection Criteria

The criteria used to select grant recipients includes academic performance, character, and proficiency in a chosen field of study. Each of these criteria carries equal weight in determining who will receive scholarships. Academic performance is determined by evaluating high school or college grade transcripts released to the scholarship committee by the student.

All high school students applying must possess a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale or equivalent. All matriculated college students applying must possess a minimum of a 2.3 grade point on a 4.0 scale or equivalent. College students applying, who possess sufficient credits at their institution of higher learning to be classified as a junior, must provide documentation of a declared major. The committee values students' efforts.

Determination of Financial Need

Financial need will be a consideration in determining scholarship recipients. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); Expected Family Contribution (EFC) score will be utilized to determine financial need. The score is requested in section 2 of the application form.

Description of Awards

Each award will represent a scholarship provided to the selected student. These scholarships should not be mistaken in any way for student loans. While a high school student may apply to be considered for a grant prior to being accepted at a college or grade/professional school he/she must provide documentation in the form of an admission acceptance letter to the committee before the scholarship will be finalized. The exact number of awards and the total amount of money to be awarded will be determined during the selection process at the sole discretion of the committee.

Payment of Scholarships

All scholarships are made payable to the educational institutions where the recipients will attend during the school year. As was previously stated the student must provide the committee a copy of the admission acceptance letter to an accredited school. It is the intent of the committee that the full amount of these scholarships be applied to school expenses.

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Application Procedure

There are three (3) essential parts of this application. Refer to application including attachments required. All must be received at the same time for the committee to consider an application.

The deadline for completed applications is April 19, 2024. Please mail or hand deliver the following parts. If mailed, the application must be postmarked on April 17, 2024. If hand delivered it must be in the CHI office on April 19, 2024.

1. A completed application form that contains basic information about the applicant, as well as, the signatures of the applicant and the parent/guardian (if applicant is under age 18.) This includes required attachments to applications.
2. An official grade transcript which shows the courses taken and the grades awarded through the fall semester of the 2023-2024 school year. These transcripts will allow the committee to evaluate the student's academic performance. College students should request their transcripts no later than March 29, 2024.
3. An interview with the committee, either in person or FaceTime is required. Applicants will be notified for specific times.

Notification Procedure

The selection committee will meet during the month of April. All applicants will be notified by May 17, 2024.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Jan. 29, 2024 — Application forms available at the CHI office.

March 29, 2024 — Suggested deadline for college students to request grade transcripts from their registrars. This will help insure the transcript will be available and included with the application papers due on April 19, 2024. A paper transcript (from the institution in a sealed envelope) is acceptable.

April 19, 2024 — Final deadline for all parts of the application for a 2024 scholarship.
Mail the application form, essay, and transcript to:

Children's Homes, Inc.
Attention: Scholarship Committee
5515 Walcott Road
Paragould, AR 72450
Must be postmarked by April 17, 2024.

May 17, 2024 — Applicants will be notified of the status of the awards.

August 5, 2024 — Scholarship check mailed, made payable to the post-secondary institution on behalf of the scholarship recipient to help pay for the student's 2024-25 term.

If you have questions, email: info@childrenshomes.org