

First Bank & Trust 2027 Community Scholarship

First Bank & Trust will annually award scholarships to students attending accredited colleges, universities, or technical schools in the fall. Scholarships will be awarded at $1,000 each, and the number of scholarships awarded will vary by location.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a First Bank & Trust scholarship, the applicant/student must meet all the following criteria:

- Be a First Bank & Trust checking and/or savings account holder *(account must be opened before the application deadline).*
- Be enrolled full-time and attending an accredited post-secondary institution for the fall 2027 semester.
- Have not previously received a First Bank & Trust scholarship.
- Employees and members of the Board of Directors or Advisory Board of Directors of First Bank & Trust, its affiliates, and the immediate families (spouse, parents, siblings, and children, and each of their respective spouses regardless of where they live) and persons living in the households of each of these individuals, whether related or not, are not eligible.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

March 26, 2027

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please print or type.

Name: _____ Birth Date: _____/_____/_____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

First Bank & Trust Account Number: _____

Current School Attending: _____

Graduation Date: _____

College or Post-Secondary School: _____

Intended Major: _____

APPLICATION INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

Your application will be evaluated in the following four areas. Information missing will result in an incomplete application, which may not be considered for an award. Please ensure you include all pieces of information requested before submitting your application. Should you choose to email in your application, the completed application must be submitted as an attachment. Shareable links to storage applications will not be accepted.

1. ESSAY

We can learn a lot from your grades, activities, and achievements, but they don't tell us everything. In a typed essay of 500 words or fewer, share the experiences, personal qualities, or parts of your story that would help us better understand who you are. Your essay should be typewritten and submitted with your application. Handwritten essays will not be accepted.

2. ACTIVITIES

Being involved and helping others within our communities is a priority at First Bank & Trust. To illustrate your contributions to your community, please include a summary of your school, extracurricular, civic, religious, volunteer, and special-interest activities that you have participated in over the last four years. List each activity separately and briefly describe your involvement. Within this section we also encourage you to state if you have a part-time job, describing your job and the average number of hours worked per week. Your activity list should be typewritten and submitted with your application.

3. ACADEMIC

Please include a transcript, including your cumulative GPA, from the last semester or quarter completed. If your cumulative GPA is not on your transcript, please attach it separately. While an official transcript is not needed, the transcript submitted must come from the school and must contain the school name and student name on the document.

4. OVERALL PRESENTATION

Applications will be reviewed based on professional presentation. This includes, but is not limited to, spelling, grammar, formatting, attention to detail, and overall look of the application and supplemental information.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Applications will be collected and sorted by bank location, which will be determined based on the account number on the application. All award decisions will be made by a selection committee, and the number of awards per location will vary. All First Bank & Trust locations participate in the First Bank & Trust scholarship program: Brookings, Canton, Garretson, Madison, Milbank, Pipestone, Sioux Falls, Toronto, White, Vermillion, Watertown, Cambridge, East Bethel, Edina, New Prague, Princeton, and Roseville.

All eligibility requirements must be met to be considered for an award, and scholarships may not be used for any purpose other than tuition. Scholarship funds will be mailed directly to the winner's school to ensure proper disbursal. The student must attend an accredited college, university, or technical school in the fall of 2027. Should the student not attend school during the fall semester, the scholarship award will be forfeited. Recipients of the award are not eligible to apply for future First Bank & Trust, FirstLine Funding Group, or South Dakota Bankers Foundation scholarships awarded on behalf of First Bank & Trust. If the eligibility requirements are not met, it may result in disqualification of the applicant. Recipients agree to have their name and photo released to the media. Recipients agree First Bank & Trust may use, share, disclose, or otherwise release the following information for purposes of communications, promotional materials, media relations, or other publicity related to the scholarship program: Recipient name, photo, and biographical information, including hometown, associated First Bank & Trust location, and postsecondary school.

For more information about the First Bank & Trust scholarship program, please email scholarships@bankeasy.com.

Signature: _____ Date: _____/_____/_____

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SENT TO *(via mail or email)*:

First Bank & Trust

First Bank & Trust
Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee
110 N Minnesota Ave, Unit 100
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
scholarships@bankeasy.com

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