



The Grove City Foundation awards both merit and need based scholarships to current employees of Chamber member organizations, to current individual Chamber members (who are not direct chamber employees), and to immediate family members (**spouse and children**) of such member organization employees and individual members.

The nature of the affiliated relationship determines the application requirements and the program levels that are supported, such as seeking an Associates or a bachelor's degree, completing a certification program at an accredited degree-granting educational institution or receiving other technical training.

***Post baccalaureate (Graduate School) education scholarships are only available to applicants who are current employees of a Chamber member-organization or are themselves individual Chamber members. It must be a 'direct' connection and not 'second-hand' as a child or spouse.***

**Important First Step: Determine Your Filing Status (Select One)**

**You are a graduating high school senior whose affiliated relationship is through a parent who** is an employee of a chamber member organization or who is currently an individual member of the Grove City area Chamber of Commerce. If you check this box, follow the instructions below for the "Affiliated High School Application"

**You are a graduating high school senior who is** directly employed by a Chamber Business Member company. If you check this box, follow the instructions for an "Affiliated High School Application"

**You have completed at least one year towards a bachelors or associates degree and your affiliated relationship is through a parent who** is a direct employee of a Chamber Business member company or who is currently an individual member of the Grove City area Chamber of Commerce. If you check this box, follow the instructions for an "Affiliated Renewal Application"

**You completed your secondary school education prior to the current calendar year** and you are a direct employee of a Chamber's business member's company or you are an individual member of the Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce and **you wish to acquire or complete post-secondary school education (including post baccalaureate degrees), pursue continuing education credits, technical training, or certification** from an organization other than an accredited degree granting educational institution. If you check this box, follow the instructions for an "Affiliated Employee application"

## Instructions for completing Chamber Affiliation Applications

- A) Instructions for an “Affiliated High School Application”:  
Complete numbered sections 1-10, 12, 14-16 and a photo release.
- B) Instructions for an “Affiliated Renewal Application”  
Complete numbered sections 1-11, 13-16 and photo release.
- C) Instructions for an “Affiliated Employee Application”  
Complete numbered sections 1-11, 13, 16 and photo release.

**Applications for this category are evaluated and scholarships are awarded on a quarterly basis.**

*Application deadlines in 2026 are March 13, June 12, September 11, and December 11.*  
Applicants who are not awarded a scholarship in the quarter in which their applications are submitted must submit a new application to be considered in a subsequent quarter; applications are not held over to a new quarter.

Only one scholarship will be awarded to any individual during a calendar year.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Chamber Member Business/Organization or Individual Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Provide the name and contact information for the business/HR contact, or the individual Chamber member, who can confirm your affiliation. Use the spaces below to provide that person’s information:  
HR Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
HR Contact Info (Job title/email/phone number): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
What is your relation to the employee of this business/organization?  
\_\_\_ I am the employee            \_\_\_ I am the spouse of the employee  
\_\_\_ I am the child of the employee
7. Sources of income: \_\_\_\_\_

8. School you are attending or plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Have you been accepted?  Yes  No  No word on decision yet  
When do you anticipate completing your program (Season/Year): \_\_\_\_\_

10. Explain the field of study including courses you intend to take and the degree or certificate you intend to achieve: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Share how, with this scholarship, this education will help you improve existing skills or acquire a new skillset/higher level of skills and training: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**12. Graduating Seniors Class of 2026 Section**

*Students must*

- Have a cumulative GPA above 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
- Complete and submit the following application and essay
- Submit an electronic copy of their high school transcript
- Complete and submit the Photo Release Form found on the Scholarship Webpage

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

High school *unweighted* grade point average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_

High school extracurricular activities (Include leadership roles/personal achievements):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other activities, hobbies, part-time work experience (for work, include hours, duties, employer):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Community/volunteer service activities (hours, activities, sponsor/organization):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Annual Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Room/Board: \_\_\_\_\_

**13. For those already enrolled in a post-secondary school (and have completed a year/have a GPA on the record)**

*Applicants must...*

- Have successfully completed at least one year towards a bachelor or associates degree at an accredited institution of higher learning or a technical program.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a scale of 4.0)
- Submit one copy of the most recent school transcript

Name of high school/graduation year: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurriculars, hobbies, work experience (include specifics such as employers, hours, etc.):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Community Service Activities (Include hours, organizations): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Annual Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_ Other anticipated fees (room/board/labs): \_\_\_\_\_

**14. Community/Private organization scholarships:**

Scholarship Applied for	Status (Awarded, Rejected, No determination made yet)	If applicable: Amount awarded
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**College/University-based funding:**

Scholarships/grants/assistance received from intended school(s)	Amount Awarded	If renewable, how long?
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**Government-based or other loans:**

Financial aid from gov't programs or student loans	Amount Awarded
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

15. Family Obligations– Children/brothers/sisters who live in your household

Age	Live in your household?	Attending college?
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Do any special family circumstances exist? \_\_\_\_\_

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16. Essay

*This essay is limited to 500 words and will stop when the limit is met.*

Your application essay below should be **between 300 and 500 words** (no less, no more). Your essay should address the following questions: What is your chosen field of study, and why did you choose it? Why have you chosen your selected or intended college/university/institution? What do you see yourself doing after you complete your education? What are your career goals and aspirations? How will this scholarship contribute to achieving those goals? What distinguishes you from other applicants?

## FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Deadlines:

**Friday March 13, 2026**

**Friday June 12, 2026**

**Friday September 11, 2026**

**Friday December 11, 2026**

Your application and all required attachments should be filed electronically through our online submission form. *Applications filed by mail or hand-delivered will not be considered. Scanned copies of this application will not be accepted. This is a fillable PDF to submit as a digital file.*

**Only one scholarship can be awarded to an individual in a calendar year.**

Submit all documentation by 11:59 pm on the deadline date at this submission link:

[gcchamberfoundation.org/scholarship-submission/](https://gcchamberfoundation.org/scholarship-submission/)

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Applicant name (this will serve as your official signature)

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(Date)