



SCHOLARSHIP FAQs

Q. CAN A STUDENT RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE SCHOLARSHIP?

A. No. Each student will only receive one scholarship.

Q. HOW MANY STUDENTS APPLY EACH YEAR?

A. While the number of applications varies somewhat from year to year, approximately 300 students typically apply.

Q. ARE SCHOLARSHIPS ALWAYS BASED ON GPA?

A. No. There are several scholarships that are not based on GPA. We encourage ALL Eagan high school seniors to review the various scholarships available and apply.

Q. WHO REVIEWS THE APPLICATIONS/DECIDES HOW TO AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS?

A. A sub-set of the Eagan Foundation Board sits on the Scholarship Selection Committee and reviews the applications.

Q. HOW DO YOU QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL NEED SCHOLARSHIPS?

A. Scholarships based on financial need will require that you submit your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) reported on the front page of your Student Aid Report (SAR). After you submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) you will receive a SAR. To qualify for any financial need scholarships a copy of the SAR must be submitted. Be sure and file your FAFSA by the scholarship deadline! For more information about your SAR and FAFSA please click on this link: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/fafsa/next-steps/student-aid-report>

Q. WHO SEES MY INFO/DO THEY KNOW MY NAME?

A. The Scholarship Selection Committee are the only people who will review applications. All identifying information is removed and a number assigned to each application prior to asking people to review applications. This process ensures no one knows who submitted the application.

Q. IS THE SELECTION PROCESS FAIR?

A. To avoid any conflict of interest, no one on the Board or the Selection Committee is allowed to have a graduating senior of their own applying for a scholarship. The Selection Committee uses criteria set forth by the donors to determine who is in the pool for each scholarship. Scholarships are awarded to the most deserving students with higher level scholarships going to those students who represent the highest level of achievement per the criteria of each scholarship.

Q. HOW AND WHEN WILL AWARDEES BE NOTIFIED IF THEY RECEIVE AN AWARD?

A. Students receiving an award will be notified in April via an email. Please watch your email during that month for a message from Eagan Foundation.

Q. HOW AND WHEN IS THE SCHOLARSHIP RECEIVED?

A. Students will receive a letter with instructions on how to access their scholarship. When students register for their first semester of post-secondary education, they will submit their fee statement from the college to the Eagan Foundation. The Eagan Foundation will send payment to the school in the amount of their award. Students will be honored at a breakfast reception in April at Eagan High School. Parents are invited to share in the event and, in many cases, students will be able to meet and thank their donor.

Q. HOW LONG HAS THE EAGAN FOUNDATION BEEN AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS?

A. The Eagan Foundation has been awarding scholarships for 25 years. Since 1990, the Foundation has awarded over 1,300 scholarships totaling over \$1,200,000.