Lincoln Elks Lodge No. 80
BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS
5910 South 58th Street, STE. A
Lincoln, NE 68516

LINCOLN ELKS LODGE #80 SCHOLARSHIPS

General Academic Scholarship Instructions

PAYABLE: When the Lodge receives the complete claim form from the school's Financial Aid Office, the payment will be made directly to the student's account at the school of their choice. All 2027 scholarships must be claimed by August 31, 2028 or are forfeited.

Qualifications and Instructions

1. Open to all Lincoln and surrounding area high school seniors residing in the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 jurisdiction. In the case of students attending out-of-town schools, parents must reside in the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 jurisdiction. Jurisdiction is determined by Zip Code via Elks Lodge Locator- Lincoln Lodge #80 must be listed as "A".
2. **The Academic Scholarship Selection Form is the first page of each application. PRINT IT.**
   A. Category "A" Scholarships - check the box beside each Category "A" scholarship(s) for which you are eligible. Add your name and make this the first page of your application. Only one application is necessary to be considered for all Category "A" scholarships.
   B. Category "B" Scholarships - check the box beside ONE Category "B" scholarship for which you wish to apply. A separate complete application must be submitted for each Category "B" Scholarship or Scholarship Group. Add your name and make this the first page of your application.
3. Complete the application in full - Each application must include (preferably assembled in this order) the Academic Scholarship Selection Form, all pages of the application, two letters of recommendation, the parents' financial statement and official sealed transcript.
4. Some scholarships require that you enroll in a defined course of study in college. Winners of these scholarships will be required to provide evidence of enrollment from their college counselor or financial aid office that confirms enrollment in that defined course of study.
5. All applications will be judged on the basis of academic achievement, leadership, financial need, and other information as requested. *Incomplete applications will not be considered.*
6. All information submitted in the application is solely for the use of Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 Scholarship Committee. Decisions made by the Committee are final and may not be appealed.
7. All applications must be signed and dated as required. The financial data page must be signed by the parent or guardian and be attached to the application when submitted. All required components of the application must be attached together. NO EXCEPTIONS.
8. All completed applications must be received at the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 by 7:00 PM on December 29, 2026 to be eligible for consideration. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED - BE SURE TO CONSIDER MAILING TIME! There will be a drop box located in the west entryway of the Lodge at 5910 S. 58th Street that will be accessible during lodge hours. Hours are posted at elks80.org.
9. Winners will be posted at elks80.org, by April 15, 2027, and will also be notified by mail.
10. Questions may be submitted via email to elkslodge80scholarship@gmail.com. **Please do not call the Lodge.**

Christian Biester, Chairperson
Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 Scholarship Committee

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION FORM

Name: _____

Category "A" Scholarships

Check each box beside the scholarship(s) for which you are eligible and wish to apply, and submit ONE application for all Category A Scholarships. This Form will be the first page of your application.

☐ General Scholarships (no specific criteria)
Jack Morgan Jensen - $1,775.00 Jack Milton Jensen - $1,775.00 Grace Metcalf - $1,275.00 BPO DOES Drove #4 - $2,375.00 PGER Vincent R Collura - $1,675.00 Maude Hollingshead/Rob Armagost - $1,375.00 Vi Berst/Sam Carter/James Rakers - $1,300.00 Richard Blomgren/Glen Tyrrel - $1,400.00 James Gray/Dan Holmstedt - $1,325.00 Robert & Edith Miles/Georgia Kalmbrunn - $1,325.00 Adam "Curly" & Leata Schwindt Scholarship - $2,400.00 Charles & Glenna Roper - $1,350.00

☐ BPOE Lodge #80 Bowler's Scholarship - $2,525.00 Restriction: Applicant must have bowled competitively during their senior year. Proof of participation in a league or unified bowling must be attached to this application.

☐ Graydon Rathbun Memorial Scholarship - $2,325.00 Restriction: Applicant must be bilingual and declare a college major or minor in a language other than their native tongue. One of your letters of recommendation must confirm that you satisfied this requirement, and proof of college registration satisfying the conditions will be required.

☐ Agricultural Scholarships - $1,700.00 Applicant must declare a major in an agriculture-related field of study.

☐ Nebraska Vocational/Trade/Community College Scholarships: Applicant must attend a Nebraska Vocational, Trade, or Community College. Please note that many of our other scholarships may also be used at these institutions.
Vic Meisinger Scholarship - $2,750.00

Category "B" Scholarships

FOR EACH of the following Category B scholarships for which you are eligible and wish to apply, submit a separate application complete with letters of reference and transcript, and check ONLY ONE circle beside the scholarship or group of scholarships for which you are applying. This Form will be the first page of each application.

❍ Damon London/Lee Erisman - $1,375.00 Applicant must declare a major in the field of **Engineering**.

❍ PGER George B. Klein Memorial Scholarship - $2,800.00 Restriction: Applicant must declare a major in the field of **business, economics or information technology.**

❍ Samuel R. & Virginia E. Carter Scholarship - $1,375.00 Restriction: Applicant must attend Lincoln Northeast High School and must declare a major in the field of **medicine.**

❍ Wauneta V. Peterson Scholarship - $1,500.00 Applicant must enroll in EITHER an **Elementary Education degree program, OR a K-12 Education degree program in Music or Physical Education**

❍ Robert W. Sindlar Memorial Scholarship - $4,300.00 Applicant must have a background in and be planning to major in the **Performing Arts**

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Please comply with all instructions above - noncompliant applications will not be considered. Awards for each scholarship are as listed. Awards will only be paid directly to the school/institution to which the winning student enrolls. Awards will be paid beginning August 1, 2027. These awards are paid ONCE, and must be claimed by August 31, 2028. NO EXCEPTIONS. **All applIcations must be received at the lodge by 7:00 PM on December 29, 2026.** If you have questions, please send them to elkslodge80scholarship@gmail.com.

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE LODGE

LINCOLN ELKS LODGE #80

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Cell #: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Father's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Father's Occupation: _____ Father's Employer: _____

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High School Last Attended: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Class Rank: _____ Best ACT Score: _____ Best SAT Score: _____ Year Tested: _____

What school do you plan to attend next:? _____

What degree or level of achievement will you attain?

What are your long-term goals?: *(Attach a separate sheet if the following space is inadequate).*

Submit two letters of recommendation and a certified copy of your school transcript.

APPLICANT'S AGREEMENT

I understand that each question in this form is here for a purpose and it will not suffice to submit an incomplete application. All information in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and will be used solely by Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 for the purpose of this application. The applicant agrees that if the award is not claimed within 16 months they will forfeit all rights to the indicated award.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____

Activity Summary

If necessary, you may attach additional completed copies of this page or your resume.

Your Work Experience

List your employment history from the 9th grade to present. Include all paid and unpaid work performed. This includes regular baby-sitting and work for a family farm or business.

Hours per Week	Dates of Employment	Type of Work	Name of Employer

Community Service

List your volunteer and/or community service from 9th grade to present.

Hours per Week	Dates of Participation	Type of Service	Name of Organization

Activities and Organization Participation

List scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations in which you participated from 9th grade to present.

Hours per Week	Dates of Participation	Name of Organization	Officer/Leadership Position Held

Honors and Awards

List scholastic, extracurricular and civic honors and awards. State the nature of the award and year in which it was received. Please do not abbreviate names of awards.

Year Received	Award Name	Award Description

Check if you were recognized: Elks Middle School Teen of the Year ❑ Elks Junior Certificate of Achievement ❑

PARENTAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The information enclosed on this form is to be prepared by the applicant and their parent(s). This form will be added to the application prior to mailing. The information on this form will be for the use of the Lincoln Elks Lodge Scholarship committee for the purpose of selecting the individuals to be awarded the scholarships. This information will be destroyed immediately after the scholarship winners have been selected.

Family's adjusted gross income for filing year 2025?:_____

(If parents are divorced, provide adjusted gross income for the parent helping pay for college, or both parents if they both will be helping.)

Number of children under 21 on September 1, 2026?:_____

Number of dependent children in college in Fall of 2027?:_____

Total amount of equity in the home and/or business and/or farm?:_____

Total emergency expenses over $2,000 not covered by insurance this past year?:_____

Explain such emergencies:

Has your child, who is applying for this scholarship, been awarded any other financial assistance or any other scholarship for their first year of college?: ❍ Yes ❍ No

If the answer is "yes" to the above, please tell us from whom and explain the nature of the offers.

_____ _____

Parent Signature Date Signed

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Parent Signature Date Signed

(All information on this form is confidential and will be reviewed only by the Judging Committee.)