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

Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 Legacy Scholarships

Deadline: December 29, 2026

Send Application to: Lincoln Elks Lodge #80
ATTN: Scholarship Department
5910 S 58th Street - Ste A
Lincoln, NE 68516

Dear Applicant:

We are happy to provide you with this scholarship application. These scholarships were made available in large part due to the generosity of Paulding and Esther Smith. Others responsible for these scholarships are Alex "Bud" Dietrich and Jerry Crouch. They are open to students whose sponsoring relative is an active member or deceased member of the Lincoln (NE) Elks Lodge #80. They are intended to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants who exhibit the core values of the Elks: Knowledge, Charity, Service to Community, and Integrity. Judging criteria will include the applicant's civic activity, leadership, leadership development, and academic success. Additionally, the applicant's honors and awards and will be considered.

There are 1 awards, and each is a one-time award:

Legacy - $0.00

The following eligibility requirements apply for this contest:

1. Any child or grandchild (or step-child, step-grandchild) of a living member of the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 who has been active the past three (3) years, or a deceased lodge member who had been an active member of Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 for at least ten (10) consecutive years prior to his or her death.
2. The applicant must be a high school graduate, or a high school senior who will graduate within 9 months from the date of this application.
3. Applicants must be under the age of 25 by the date of this application.
4. Applicant must apply through the Lincoln Elks Lodge, regardless of where the applicant resides.
5. Students will submit one application to be considered for these scholarships.
6. These awards may only be paid to accredited US American schools, colleges or universities.
7. Make a photocopy of your application for your records. All applications become the property of Lincoln Elks Lodge #80.
8. The student and the sponsoring Elk must complete their respective sections.
9. All applications will be judged on the basis of scholarship, leadership, need, and other information as requested. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
10. 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!
11. 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.

12. Winners will be notified by mail, and will also be posted on the Legacy Scholarship web page, by April 15, 2027.
13. Questions may be submitted via email to elkslodge80scholarship@gmail.com. **Please do not call the Lodge.**
14. Please DO NOT use an email address that is associated with the high school that you are currently attending.
15. Please write "Legacy" on the lower left corner of the envelope.
16. A complete application consists of: 1) a neatly completed application; 2) one current letter of reference from an instructor, counselor, employer, or other adult community member; 3) a recent transcript of your high school or college career; and 4) a 250-word neatly handwritten essay about "How the Elks Benefit the Community."

Christian Biester, Chairperson
Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 Scholarship Committee

Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 Legacy Scholarships

Required Signatures

To be eligible to participate in the contest, the student and the Elk member must complete their respective sections. The Lodge Secretary will complete their section when the application has been received at the Lincoln Elks Lodge. You are not responsible for the Lodge Secretary verification.

Part One: Applicant

By signing this application, I agree, if asked, to provide additional information that will verify the accuracy of my completed application. If I purposely give false or misleading information, I will be disqualified from this contest. I agree to the use of my name and any information contained within the application, for advertising, promotional and publicity purposes without consent or compensation. I understand that the decisions of the Lincoln Elks Scholarship Selection Committee with respect to the selection of award winners are final.

Relationship to Elk (Check only one, if more than one, check child):
❍ Child (Step-child) ❍ Grand Child (Step) ❍ Great-Grand Child (Step)

Signature:_____ Date:_____

Part Two: Elk Parent/Grandparent/Great Grandparent

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and that the applicant meets all eligibility requirements. I understand that the decisions of the Lincoln Elks Scholarship Selection Committee with respect to the selection of award winners are final. **I have enclosed a copy of my membership card.** (If the sponsoring Elk member is deceased, please mark the appropriate box and fill in as much information as known)

Relationship to applicant: ❍ Father ❍ Step-Father ❍ Grandparent ❍ Great Grandparent
❍ Mother ❍ Step-Mother ❍ Step-Grandparent ❍ Deceased Member

Name:_____
Home Address:_____
City/State/Zip:_____
Phone Number:_____ Email Address:_____
How long have you been and Elk:_____
Your membership #:_____
Parent Signature:_____ Date:_____

Part Three: Lodge Secretary Certification

I certify that the applicant's parent, grandparent, great-grandparent meets all eligibility requirements.

Has the Elk sponsor been a member in good standing for the past three years, as of Jan. 31, 2027: ❍ Yes ❍ No
(If the sponsoring member is deceased, he/she must have been a member in good standing for the 10 years immediately prior to their death.)

Has the ELk listed in Part II paid his or her membership dues through **March 31, 2027?** ❍ Yes ❍ No
(If no, the applicant is ineligible. Do not forward application. N/A for deceased members)

Please complete the following information for the sponsoring Elk parent or grandparent:

Members' Number:_____ Initiation Date:_____ Date of Death:_____
Secretary Signature:_____ Date:_____

LINCOLN ELKS LODGE #80

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Cell #: _____

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).*

Are any of your parents or grandparents members of the Elks?: ❍ Yes ❍ No

If yes, which lodge:? _____ Name of related Elk:? _____

Submit one letter 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: _____

Application

This application is designed to collect information about your background, your interests, and your college and career plans. Your answers to these questions are confidential and will be reviewed by an independent scholarship selection committee. Please limit your responses to the space providedexcept where notedand type or print legibly. You must use this application, however blank copies are authorized. **See page 6 for complete application instructions.**

Application Requirements Checklist: (Do not send any of these separately)

Do not use pencil	❑	Two letters of reference	❑
Official transcript of grades	❑	Requested Signatures	❑
SAT/ACT Scores	❑		

You - The Applicant

Last Name:_____ First Name:_____ Middle Init:_____

Street Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____

Mailing Address (If different than above):_____

Telephone:_____ Date of Birth:_____ ❍ Male ❍ Female

Email:_____

1) Your Schooling

When did you/do you graduate from high school? Month:_____ Year:_____

Your high school's name:_____ Location (City and State):_____

Name of School	Location (City & State)	Dates of Attendance

2) Academic Profile

Does your school offer honors courses? ❍ Yes ❍ No Are you participating: ❍ Yes ❍ No

Does your school offer Advanced Placement classes? ❍ Yes ❍ No Are you participating: ❍ Yes ❍ No

If so, please list the AP classes you have taken or are enrolled in:_____

Highest ACT/SAT score achieved:_____

Your GPA:_____ Class Rank:_____ Number of Students in class:_____

List all senior year classes on grid by subject. If applicable, check honors or AP.

Subject: _____ Honors ❑ AP ❑	Subject: _____ Honors ❑ AP ❑	Subject: _____ Honors ❑ AP ❑	Subject: _____ Honors ❑ AP ❑
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Enter the full name of your first choice college: _____

What is your planned course of study?: _____

What is your intended career choice?: _____

3) Your Work Experience

List jobs you've held from **June 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026**. Include baby-sitting and work on a family farm or for a family business, even if you weren't paid. **List total hours worked, not average hours per week**. If necessary, you may attach another sheet structured identically to the application. (You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.)

Total Hours	Employment Dates	Type of Work	Name of Employer
	= Grand Total Hours of Employment (June 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026)		

4) Your Service to the Community

List volunteer work or community service performed, without pay, from **June 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026**. If necessary, you may attach another sheet structured identically to the application. (You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.)

Total Hours	Participation Dates	Type of Service	Name of Agency/Organization.
	= Grand Total Hours of Service (June 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026)		

Rank, in order of importance, your three significant community service projects

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

5) Your Activites - Grades 9 through 12

If you need more room than we've provided, attach a separate sheet, but format it identically to our application. You may also substitute an activity sheet for this section, but again, the sheet must be formatted identically to our application.

Honors and Awards

Include scholastic, extracurricular and civic honors and awards. State the nature of award and grade in which it was won. Please do not abbreviate names of awards.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____
7 _____
8 _____
9 _____
10 _____
11 _____
12 _____

Offices and Positions of Leadership

State full name of organization, office and grade(s) office was held, starting with the most recent, i.e., Chess Club, Treasurer, 11.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for three or more years

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for at least three years during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. Boy Scouts, 9, 10, 11.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for twp years

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for two years during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. 4-H, 11,12.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for one years

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for one year during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. Badminton Team, 9.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____
7 _____
8 _____

6) Your Activites - Post High School

If you need more room than we've provided, attach a separate sheet, but format it identically to our application. You may also substitute an activity sheet for this section, but again, the sheet must be formatted identically to our application.

Honors and Awards

Include scholastic, extracurricular and civic honors and awards. State the nature of award and grade in which it was won. Please do not abbreviate names of awards.

1 _____ 4 _____
2 _____ 5 _____
3 _____ 6 _____

Offices and Positions of Leadership

State full name of organization, office and grade(s) office was held, starting with the most recent, i.e., Chess Club, Treasurer, 11.

1 _____ 3 _____
2 _____ 4 _____

Activities and Organizations you participated.

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated. State the year(s) you were involved

1 _____ 4 _____
2 _____ 5 _____
3 _____ 6 _____

LINCOLN ELKS LODGE #80
Application Instructions

1. **Your Schooling**
   Supply your high school or post-high school information.
2. **Academic Profile**
   Supply information concerning courses offered by your high school. Complete grid with your senior year courses. Tell us about your college plans.
3. **Your Work Experience**
   List jobs held from June 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026. List total hours worked during that time period, not average hours per week. You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.
4. **Your Service to the Community**
   List community service performed over the last three years, June 1, 2024 - Dec. 31, 2026. List total hours served during this time period, not average hours per week. You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.
5. **Your Activities, Honors and Awards**
   The following is a list to assist in completion of the Honors and Awards section. Include awards such as Eagle Scout; Gold Award; Teen of the Year; Statewide or National Conferences (ex: Boy's/Girl's State, HOBY); major athletic award; and major academic award. Do not include awards such as Academic/Athletic Letter; Honor Roll; Perfect Attendance; Scout Merit Badges. This list is not inclusive. Activity sheets are acceptable replacements for this section, but must be structured identically to the application.
6. **Current College Students**
   You must attach a separate sheet describing your activities and involvements during their college tenure to date. This description should be in paragraph format, not to exceed 500 words.

- **Transcript and SAT/ACT Scores**
  Include official, complete, current high school transcript of student grades through your junior year. Transcript may be a photocopy that bears the original signature of the proper school authority.

  SAT or ACT test scores must be included, but may be photocopies. Use one set of ACT scores only, and/or up to two sets of SAT scores. It is not necessary to send a separate sheet of test scores if they are included on your transcript. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the scores are listed on the transcript.

- **Letters of Recommendation**
  Include two letters of recommendation. One must be from a high school teacher. If you are already in college, please have an educator from your college or university write the recommendation. The other may be from a high school teacher, professor, or responsible community member. The authors of the letters may not be related to you. The letters may cover your ability, work habits, leadership skills, participation in the community, work service, outstanding recognition, personality and integrity. Letters may be originals or photocopies but must be limited to one side of a single sheet (8.5-by-11-inch) of paper, typed, dated and signed by the author.

- **Special Instructions For Post-High School Applicants:**
  We encourage all applicants who have already graduated from high school to provide as much information as possible in order for the selection committee to give you maximum consideration. Please fill in as many blanks as possible, even though you may have graduated from high school five or six years earlier. Your activities while you were in high school, as well as after you graduated, are very important to us. You should include high school and college transcripts, or any other official records you have.