

**THE
LILLY
ENDOWMENT
COMMUNITY
SCHOLARSHIP**

**Administered through The Whitley County Community Foundation
Application Form**

Any relative (including stepchildren) of the staff, trustees or scholarship committee of the Whitley County Community Foundation is not eligible to receive a Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship through the Whitley County Community Foundation. Are you a relative of any of the persons listed above?

YES _____ NO _____

If I receive this scholarship, it is my intent to pursue four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at an Indiana college.

I understand that the total amount of my scholarship is calculated on the basis of my chosen college's tuition and required fees beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

To assist with the processing of my scholarship payments each semester or quarter and to avoid late fees, I will forward immediately to the Whitley County Community Foundation all invoices received for tuition and any eligible fees that may be covered by my scholarship.

I will account for and return to Independent Colleges of Indiana any amount of the special allocation for required books and required equipment remaining at the end of each school year.

I agree to notify Independent Colleges of Indiana of any scholarship awards I may receive for tuition or required fees from a source other than the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

I will keep the Whitley County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of my enrollment and academic status during college, by completing and returning any surveys or forms as may be provided by the community foundation.

Upon graduation, I will keep the Whitley County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of my education and/or employment status for at least ten years after graduation, by completing and returning an alumni survey or other forms as may be provided by the community foundation.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby affirm that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship awarded through the Whitley County Community Foundation will include full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at any Indiana public or private college or university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

You will be considered eligible to apply for a Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship through the Whitley County Community Foundation if you meet the following criteria:

- You have been a resident of Whitley County for 12 months prior to the date of this application.
- You will have graduated by the end of June 2012 with a diploma from an accredited Indiana high school and plan to pursue a full-time baccalaureate course of study at an accredited public or private college or university in Indiana.
- You are able to demonstrate that you have financial need.
- You can demonstrate pride in the community, responsibility, perseverance, self-esteem, and the desire to contribute to Whitley County through work or volunteerism.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection of the semi-finalists is based upon the following: community involvement, activities and/or work experience, financial need, two essays, personal recommendations, and academic achievement. Strong consideration will be given to the individual who illustrates dedication to self-improvement.

PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION

High school seniors applying for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship in Whitley County must see that steps 1, 2, 3 and 4 listed below are completed in time for all materials to be postmarked **no later than January 16, 2012**. Mail materials to the Whitley County Community Foundation, P.O. Box 527, Columbia City, IN 46725.

- 1) Complete the scholarship application form, for the 2012-2013 Whitley County Lilly Community Scholarship.
Note: Lilly Community Scholarship applications from other counties will not be eligible for consideration.
- 2) Include with your application your official high school transcript and SAT scores.
- 3) Ask two current or former classroom educators, who are not family members but who know you well, to write a letter of recommendation. **Recommendations should be given directly to the scholarship applicant. Please seal the recommendation in an envelope and sign your name across the back. These recommendations are very important in the selection process, so applicants should carefully choose their educators and also give them ample time to complete the recommendations.**
- 4) Include in the application your parent or guardian's last year's tax forms. Also, be able to provide the scholarship committee with information regarding all financial resources available for funding your education, including other scholarships you have applied.

Eligible candidates who have already graduated from high school should complete steps 1, 2 and 4 listed above. Step 3 should be completed by two former educators, work or volunteer supervisors who know you well but are not related to you. Student application materials must be completed and postmarked **no later than January 16, 2012**.

If you have questions regarding the Whitley County Community Foundation's Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, please contact: The Whitley County Community Foundation, P.O. Box 527, Columbia City, IN 46725 or phone (260) 244-5224.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____

Permanent Address _____

Date of Birth _____

Telephone Number _____

Alternate Telephone Number _____

Last Four Digits of Home Telephone Number _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Please circle whom you are living with:

Name of father stepfather guardian _____

Address _____

Name of mother stepmother guardian _____

Address _____

Number of siblings and their ages _____

Name of spouse _____

Address _____

Name of dependents and their ages _____

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PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES. INCLUDE NUMBER OF SIBLINGS OR DEPENDENTS, AGES OF SIBLINGS AND DEPENDENTS, AND ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES CONCERNING YOUR FAMILY.

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PLEASE LIST EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN DURING THE PAST FOUR YEARS. PLEASE INCLUDE WHEN YOU PARTICIPATED AND THE NUMBER OF YEARS YOU PARTICIPATED IN EACH ACTIVITY. ATTACH AN ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total gross household income _____

Total child support, alimony, unemployment, social security or other income _____

Father's occupation _____

Mother's occupation _____

Please detail how you plan to finance your education. Specify what percentage will be paid for by parents or family, what percentage you intend to pay and note any additional sources of funding available to you including other scholarships you may have received.

Are you a 21st Century Scholar? _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

In the space provided below please provide employment information

EMPLOYER

POSITION

DATES

PLANNED FIELD OF STUDY

What is your planned field of study? _____

What factors contributed to these decisions?

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ESSAY

Select **two** of the following topics, and write a 500-800 word essay about each. Record only the last four digits of your home telephone number in the upper right corner. Do not include your name or signature.

- If you could change one thing about education at your current high school, what would it be and how might it be improved?
- Discuss a significant experience or risk that you have taken and the impact it has had on your life to date.
- Discuss a civic issue of local, national or international importance and why it matters to you.
- Indicate a fictional character who has had a significant influence upon you and describe what that influence means to you.

2012 LILLY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP RECOMMENDATION

Student's Last Four Digits of Home Telephone Number _____

Educator's Name _____ Subject Taught: _____

*Note to Educator: The teacher recommendations are very important to the selection committee and are weighed heavily in the selection process. **PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE LETTER TO THIS COVER SHEET, AND ALSO WE ASK THAT YOU REFRAIN FROM REFERRING TO THE STUDENT BY NAME IN YOUR COMMENTS.***

Scholarship finalists are based upon community involvement, activities and/or work experience and academic achievement. Strong consideration will be given to the individual who illustrates dedication to self-improvement. Please lend insight to this applicant's character by addressing these issues as well as their level of maturity and self-motivation.

When complete, seal the recommendation in an envelope and sign your name across the back. Please be sure to have the recommendation to the student no later than January 16, 2012, as this is the deadline for the application and all materials to be turned in to the Community Foundation. Thank you for your assistance.

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