



## The Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County Universal Scholarship Application

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### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. With few exceptions (such as the Watkins First-Knox, the Utica Class of 1956, and the Harold Smith Utica High School Scholarships) applicants must reside in Knox County or (in some cases) attend a Knox County high school.
2. Applicants must be planning to attend a fully-accredited two-year or four-year college or university, enrolled as a **full-time** student.
3. **Traditional Scholarship Applicants** include graduating high school seniors and students who are continuing undergraduate degree work they began within two years of high school graduation. Traditional Scholarship applicants will be considered for all available Community Foundation scholarships.

**Non-Traditional Scholarship Applicants** include those competing for a Dr. Lillian Hickman or Dr. Allan Bazzoli Medical School Scholarship, a Dr. Clyde and Dora Purdy O.S.U. Veterinary School Scholarship, or a Robert and Lorene Purdy Scholarship for adults pursuing post-secondary studies for workplace re-entry or retraining, especially in nursing.

4. To be considered for any need-based scholarships applicants must upload a **complete copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR)** of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application (*see [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)*). Applicants electing to omit the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) from this application will be eligible only for merit-based scholarships, which typically are available in lesser numbers, and smaller amounts, compared to need-based scholarships.
5. Beginning in 2018, the Universal Scholarship Application will only be accepted online through <https://mvkcfoundation.awardspring.com>. A guide for completing the application is available on our website at [www.mvkcfoundation.org](http://www.mvkcfoundation.org) under the *Grants and Scholarship Tab*.
6. Applicants are responsible for requesting official transcripts **well in advance** of the application deadline. Please exercise courtesy with student records personnel who have several requests made of them at this time of the year.

For questions, please contact Lisa Lloyd, Program Manager, at 740-326-4297 or [lisalloyd@mvkcfoundation.org](mailto:lisalloyd@mvkcfoundation.org).