

GIRARD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS

The association is providing four scholarships. Please take notice of each scholarship's requirements.

1. The Gene Cushman Memorial Scholarship is a \$5,000 annual scholarship for four years, a total value of \$20,000. This scholarship is good for any institution of higher learning which is state accredited, including 2-year, 4-year, career training or business institutions.
2. The GHS Alumni and Friends Association Career Training Scholarship (e.g., CNA, CISCO, Mechanic, etc.) is a \$5,000 annual scholarship for two years, a total value of \$10,000. If you are unsure if your planned training qualifies, go ahead and apply.
3. & 4. There are two George D. Dohm Scholarships, each of which is a \$7,500 annual scholarship for four years, a total of \$30,000 for each scholarship. One scholarship will be given to a male applicant and one to a female applicant. This scholarship is good for any accredited four-year college or university in Illinois (or a combination of a 2-year community college and 4-year college/university in Illinois). It is based on the applicant's need of financial assistance.

All of the above scholarships require that the qualifying student is a graduating senior attending North Mac Unit #34 for four (4) years and who lived in the original Girard Community Unit School District #3 boundaries for these four years.

A RECIPIENT CAN ONLY RECEIVE ONE OF THE ABOVE SCHOLARSHIPS.

The application and pertinent information should be in the hands of the Guidance Counselor by March 6, 2025. The counselor will attach an official copy of your high school transcript, attendance record and any ACT, SAT, etc., scores and provide everything to the Girard High School Alumni board.

ENTER A CHECK NEXT TO ALL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING.

<input type="checkbox"/>	CUSHMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	(\$5,000 annually/ \$20,000 for 4 years)
<input type="checkbox"/>	GHS ALUMNI CAREER TRAINING	(\$5,000 annually/ \$10,000 for 2 years)
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEORGE D. DOHM (FEMALE)	(\$7,500 annually/ \$30,000 for 4 years)
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEORGE D. DOHM (MALE)	(\$7,500 annually/ \$30,000 for 4 years)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Gender: (circle one) Male Female

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

Applicant's Mailing Address:

Signature of Applicant: _____

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SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

- 1. PROOF OF PAYMENT:** The scholarship recipient must provide to the scholarship committee proof of acceptance and enrollment at his/her chosen institution of higher learning as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours). Proof of enrollment must be submitted to the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee (or his/her designee) at the beginning of each semester of study. Only then will a check be issued to the institution.
- 2. THE SCHOLARSHIP:** Our by-laws state that the scholarship money can only be used for tuition and/or room and board.
- 3. THE ANNUAL PAYMENT:** This money will be disbursed in two equal amounts. One payment will be made to the institution at the beginning of the first semester and a second payment at the beginning of the second semester. As stated above, you will need to provide to the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee proof that you are enrolled for the semester as a full-time student taking a minimum of 12 semester hours. This is usually a copy of your official class schedule.
- 4. RENEWAL OF THE SCHOLARSHIP:** The scholarship is renewed upon successful completion of the previous semester. **If your studies are interrupted for any reason, you should contact the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. He or she will provide the information to the Scholarship Committee and they in turn will make a recommendation to the Alumni Board.**
- 5. THE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY:** The payments are drafted by check to the chosen institution of higher learning. The Alumni Association's Treasurer will draft the check and send it to the institution.
- 6. IF SCHOLARSHIP EXCEEDS EXPENSES:** If the recipient of the scholarship should not need the entire payment for a given semester or career training course, the Alumni Association will hold the balance in escrow.
- 7. TERMINATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP:** The scholarship can be considered null and void by the Scholarship Committee (with the consent of the Alumni Board), if at the end of a school term (semester), the student is not considered in good standing by their chosen institution. **The maximum length of time the scholarship will be maintained is 6 years (for a 4-year scholarship) and 3 years (for a 2-year scholarship) providing the recipient has met the Alumni Association's scholarship requirements.**
- 8. OTHER SITUATIONS:** Any situation the scholarship recipient has that falls outside of these guidelines will be reviewed by the Alumni Association Board. The Board will make a decision on the matter under consideration.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(If more space is required on any items, please attach other page(s) as needed.)

I. FINANCIAL NEED: Please indicate your family's adjusted gross income from last year's federal income tax return.

Under \$15,000 _____ \$40,000 to \$50,000 _____

\$15,000 to \$20,000 _____ \$50,000 to \$75,000 _____

\$20,000 to \$30,000 _____ \$75,000 to \$100,000 _____

\$30,000 to \$40,000 _____ Over \$100,000 _____

- a. Total number of family members living at home (parents plus children): _____
- b. The total number of dependent children in your parent(s) family: _____
- c. List the ages of all children in your family: _____
- d. The number of children currently attending college: _____
- e. Other financial considerations that need to be noted:

II. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

A. School organizations, clubs, activities or societies. Please indicate years of involvement, offices held and duties performed.

B. Community Organizations, Community Services, (i.e., Scouts, Church, 4-H, Key Club, etc.)

C. Work experience/Jobs. For example: family or name of business; type of work; hours per week; duration.

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III. Please list any scholarships or grants that you have been awarded and their amounts.

IV. Please list any other scholarships or grants for which you have applied.

V. If you have any other information which you would like the scholarship committee to consider that has not been specifically asked for, such as goals, career plans or ambitions, etc., please include that information.

VI. Academic and Attendance Records and ACT, SAT, etc., scores will be attached by the High School Guidance Counselor.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION EVALUATION PROCESS:

- 1.** Applicants will give their completed application and official transcript to the High School Guidance Counselor.
- 2.** The Guidance Counselor will attach the transcript and attendance records to the application.
- 3.** Each of the scholarship committee members will review all of the applications, and the committee will determine a recipient for each of the scholarships being offered. They will also determine a runner-up for each scholarship should the original recipient not be able to make use of the scholarship the first year. A member of the scholarship committee will notify the chosen recipients of their selection in late April or early May.

Thank you for applying for these scholarships. We wish each of you all the best as you make plans to further your education and strive to reach your future goals.