

NEBRASKA CITY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND

SCHOLARSHIP FOR NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Purpose

- A \$2,000 scholarship is being offered to encourage a person who wishes to seek further education, particularly one who has been unable to take advantage of educational opportunities in the past because of limited financial resources. This scholarship is particularly directed to someone who is pursuing education that will benefit the Nebraska City community.

Definition of a Non-Traditional Student

- The definition of a non-traditional student, for the purposes of this application, is any person wishing to improve their plight by furthering their education and who has not been on a continuous course of study since high school graduation.

Types of Courses Eligible for Scholarship Consideration

- Formal, post-secondary classes that could lead to a four-year college degree.
- Formal, post-secondary classes that could lead to a two-year associate degree.
- Classes provided by institutions awarding two- or four-year degrees in technological fields.
- Courses to be taken that would be required for advancement in your present job that would lead to the awarding of a certificate of proficiency.

Restrictions and Payment

- Institutions providing instruction must be accredited by the State of Nebraska.
- Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the institution and will not be dispersed until confirmation from the institution of your current enrollment is received.

Selection Criteria

- Financial need *will not* be the primary criterion of the selection process.
- Applicants indicating intent to upgrade their employment opportunities will be given preference.
- A Personal Essay of the prospective student's intended course of study and how he or she feels this opportunity will benefit them, as well as the community, shall be submitted as part of the application. This essay will be judged by its content – not by its construction or volume.

Deadline for submitting an application is: August 1, 2024