

SCHOLARSHIP

Policy 315

PHILOSOPHY

Glen Oaks Community College is committed to serving a diverse student body with a variety of talents, skills, abilities, and backgrounds. To help achieve this goal, institutional scholarships are awarded to qualified applicants.

TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

PRESIDENTIAL/DEAN'S SCHOLARSHIPS

The Presidential and Dean's scholarships are intended for recent graduates of area high schools who have outstanding academic records. The scholarship may be used for all education-related expenses and can be renewed for up to two academic years. One Presidential Scholarship and two Dean's scholarships will be awarded to graduates from each St. Joseph County public high school and a St. Joseph County private high school. If funds remain, scholarships may be awarded to recent graduates who reside outside of St. Joseph County.

Eligibility Criteria, Application & Selection Process:

- a. Graduating high school senior.
- b. President's minimum 3.5 GPA and Dean's minimum GPA of 3.0 after the first semester of the applicant's senior year.
- c. Scholarship application, official high school transcript, application for admission to Glen Oaks Community College, short essay and letter of recommendation must be submitted by the annual scholarship deadline.
- d. Other factors that may be used in the selection include class rank, financial need, recent academic improvement, and/or ACT/SAT results.
- e. Current high school graduates who meet one of the following criteria may apply: (a) received an ACT Composite Score of 24 or higher or and SAT [M & V] score of 1110 or higher; or (b) be ranked in the top ten percent of the graduating class from high school; or (c) be a member of the high school's National Honor Society.

Selection/Announcement Process:

Selection will be made by the scholarship committee based on the above criteria. Awards will be announced via a letter from the Financial Aid Office. Presidential Scholarship recipients will also receive a letter from the President of Glen Oaks Community College. The winners who accept the awards will be invited to a reception and be awarded a certificate. A press release will be issued.

Enrollment and Renewal:

Students must enroll in a minimum of 6 credit hours at Glen Oaks during each semester the scholarship is awarded. The award will be pro-rated each semester based upon GOCC enrolled credits as shown below. The student must also maintain the required GPA as specified in the scholarship criteria (i.e., Presidential GPA requirement of 3.5 or above; Dean's GPA requirement of 3.0 or above). Recipients who do not meet the above GPA criteria will be issued a warning semester. Two consecutive semesters below the required GPA will result in the cancellation of the scholarship.

Presidential Scholarship (per semester)

- Full-time (12 or more credits)= \$2,000
- $\frac{3}{4}$ time (9-11 credits) = \$1,500
- Half-time (6-8 credits) = \$1,000
- Dean's Scholarship (per semester)
- Full-time (12 or more credits) = \$1,000
- $\frac{3}{4}$ time (9-11 credits)= \$750
- Half-time (6-8 credits)= \$500

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS:

Information regarding Athletic Scholarships is available in the Athletic Department Office.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Glen Oaks offers 14 CTE Scholarships to high school seniors enrolled in the CTE Program and who intend to continue in the same field as their CTE Program after graduation. The Glen Oaks Career and Technical Education (CTE) Scholarships require a minimum high school grade point average of 2.0 in an occupational field. The scholarship is applied to tuition & fees only. Recipients must enroll full-time (12 credits) each semester at Glen Oaks. Recipients must maintain a 2.0 semester average at Glen Oaks Community College to continue receiving the scholarship each semester.

SUPERINTENDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The purpose of the scholarships is to encourage additional education by faculty, administration and staff who work in St. Joseph County school districts. Each superintendent may recommend recipients for one scholarship from his/her district. This information will be forwarded to the Glen Oaks Financial Aid Office. Each scholarship will cover the tuition and general fees for ONE 3 or 4 credit hour class at Glen Oaks Community College. The scholarship does not cover course fees, books, and supplies.

The following districts will be included:

Burr Oak, Centreville, Colon, Constantine, Mendon, Sturgis, Three Rivers, White Pigeon and SJC Intermediate School District

History

Revisions to Scholarship Policy adopted by Board of Trustees 5/11/94, 1/11/95, 9/13/95, 11/12/97, 1/14/98, 9/9/98, 11/11/98, 9/13/00, 4/11/01, 7/11/01, 4/17/02, 9/11/02, 10/9/02, 9/14/05, 9/17/14, 6/15/17, reviewed 3/9/23, 11/21/24