



SAMUEL LEROY AND FLORENCE B. SHELLABARGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Scholarship Guidelines
2023 External

Scholarship Background

This memorial scholarship provides financial assistance to graduating seniors of Covington High School in Covington, Ohio who are in the top 20% of their graduating class.

Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates must be graduating seniors of Covington High School in Covington, Ohio
- Candidates must be U.S. Citizens
- Candidates must be in the top 20% of their graduating class
- Candidates must be pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited public or nonprofit independent, four-year college or university, full-time, in Ohio
- Candidates must pursue a degree in science (chemistry, physics, mathematics, computer science, biology, etc.), engineering, business, medicine, or education.

Selection Criteria

- 50% Character
- 30% Financial Need
- 20% Community Service

Selection Committee

- Senior Guidance Counselor, Covington High School
- Principal, Covington High School or his/her designee
- English Department Faculty Member, Covington High School appointed by principal
- Science Department Faculty Member, Covington High School appointed by principal

Award Amount

Two scholarships for \$2,000 per recipient

Renewal

The scholarship is not renewable.

Payment Distribution

All awards are paid directly to the educational institution.
The scholarship may be used for any educational expenses. The scholarship must not displace any institutional or other aid.

Application Requirements

- Application form (contact information; date of birth; college plan to attend; planned major)
- Essay (500 words or less) – choose one:
 - Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development
 - Pick a person you admire and explain how their example has influenced your development
- List community service (include, but not limited to municipal organizations & church-related activities)
- FAFSA

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- Letters of recommendation (from a high school faculty member not on the selection committee)
- Letters of recommendation (from representatives of community service organizations)

Deadline

Determined by Covington High School

Application and Award Process

- The Columbus Foundation sends notification of the scholarship's availability each spring for the upcoming academic year.
- The organization manages the application and selection process.
- Once a recipient has been selected, the organization will provide the recipients' data through the online form at <https://www.columbusfoundation.org/my-account/forms/submission?applicationId=15773> by April 1. The following information will be required for each recipient:
 - Prefix, First Name, Last Name
 - Address
 - Phone Number
 - Email Address
 - Date of Birth
 - Award Amount
- The Foundation sends an award letter to the recipient that explains the payment request process and includes the proof of enrollment form.
- Once proof of enrollment has been received by the Foundation, a check will be sent to the recipient's educational institution.
- The Columbus Foundation mails fund availability letter for the upcoming academic year.

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