

William Hjertstedt
Elk River Education Association
25-26 Scholarship Application

To Be Completed by the Applicant:

Applicant Name: _____ Email: _____

(*An email will be sent to you upon receipt of your application)

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date: _____

High School Name: _____ City: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Name of Elk River Education Association Member(s): _____

Worksite(s)/School(s) of EREA member(s): _____

Name of institution you will be/hope to be attending: _____

Have you been officially admitted? Yes No (*circle one*)

When do you plan to begin school? _____

What will be your field of study, if known? _____

On another sheet of paper, please type an essay *with a maximum of 400 words* explaining why you are pursuing to further your education and include your life goals. On an additional separate piece of paper, list any/all activities inside and outside of school that you have participated in, and note any leadership roles you have held (*no word maximum on the activities*).

Important:

Do not put your name on your essay or on any resume of activities, as winners are considered by their content rather than by the name.

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*To Be Completed by an ISD 728 Guidance Office, if applicable:*

*\*Applications from outside of ISD 728 are not required to have the below section filled in, but may choose to.*

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Office Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note for ISD 728 Guidance Offices:** ISD 728 guidance offices need to ensure delivery of completed applications to EREA by Friday, March 20, 2026. You may contact Lisa Olson at 612-272-3488 to schedule applications to be picked up from your school by Friday, March 20, 2026.

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**Contact Person:** Lisa Olson  
President, Elk River Education Association  
(612) 272-3488  
EREApresident@gmail.com

**Address:** 555 Railroad Drive, Suite B, Elk River, MN 55330

**Name of scholarship:** William Hjertstedt Elk River Education Association

**Amount:** (4) Four ~ \$750.00 Scholarships awarded during the 2025-26 school year

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant **must** be the child of an EREA member
- Applicant **must** be a current high school senior (may attend any high school, not exclusively ISD 728 high schools)
- Applicant **must** attend a two or four-year college, university or technical school/institution during the 2026-27 school year
- Course of study **must** be at least nine months in duration

**Chosen by:** Elk River Education Association will rate your application on organization, grammar, development of ideas, goals, high school achievements & activities, and out-of-school achievements & activities.

**Distributed by:** Elk River Education Association

**Distributed to:** The Recipient (We do not process payments through ISD 728 School District.)

**Distribution criteria for selected winners:**

- Must finish at least one marking period (quarter or semester) with at least a "C" average during the 26-27 school year,
- Earned at least 8 semester credits (or 12 quarter credits), and
- A copy of your grades (no official transcript) must be received by EREA no later than August 13, 2027;

**Applications from within ISD 728 District must be submitted to your ISD 728 high school guidance office no later than Thursday, March 12, 2026:**

- Elk River High School, Kelly Songstad, Administrative Assistant
- Rogers High School, Lynne Cleaveland, Administrative Assistant
- Zimmerman High School, Brandon Stoermann, Counselor
- Ivan Sand Community Middle/High School, Joe Robinson, Social Worker/Counselor

**All applications** (inside or outside of District ISD 728) **must be received by EREA no later than March 20, 2026, and can be mailed to or dropped off at:**

Elk River Education Association  
Attn: Lisa Olson  
555 Railroad Drive, Suite B  
Elk River, MN 55330

Questions? Contact Lisa Olson: 612-272-3488