



LODI AREA SCHOLARSHIPS Graduating Class of 2026

Seniors, please find below a list of local scholarships. Most scholarships are due by 3:30 PM on March 9, 2026 unless otherwise noted.

Please email one scholarship application, one scholarship check-off sheet, and any other pertinent information to Ms. Gort.

Essays need to be on their own page with your name and the scholarship name at the top.

Please note the following:

- *Do not attach photos.
- *Applications **must** be typed.
- *Applications **must** have your name on each page.
- *Applications **must** be complete.
- *Applications **must** be completed by you, the student.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Gort at the above email address.

Albin C. Wopat Memorial

Sponsor: The Wopat Family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient must have earned a 3.25 GPA after seven semesters. Earned two or more athletic letters in more than one sport. Also have participated in a variety of extracurricular activities.

Charles J. Ploetz Family Foundation**Scholarship**

Sponsor: Ploetz Family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate and plan on attending a post-secondary college.

Cleary Krech Veterans of War

Sponsor: VFW Post 1707

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient must be a relative of a veteran who is a past or present member of the VFW or meets the VFW eligibility requirements. Also, must have plans to attend a college, university, trade or technical school. Please list relative names and if they were in a war/conflict and what branch of the military.

Dane American Legion

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: Senior High School students who plan on attending trade school or four year college. Applicants must prove that they are related to a veteran or current member of the armed forces.

Dano Scholarship

Sponsors: Friends of Danny Markwardt

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: One female and one male planning to attend a college, university, or vocational education program. Special consideration will be given to the student(s) who participated in extracurricular activities and exemplified "Lodi Pride" throughout his/her four years at Lodi High School.

David & Adele Crary Family Gratitude Fund

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: Scholarship is awarded to a student attending any post secondary advanced school and has participated in music and sports in high school. Preference given to students pursuing a career or major in music (ex. teacher, music therapy, theater, etc.)

Donald Hahn, Sr. Memorial Scholarship

Sponsors: Stephanie & Brian Schmitt

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship should be a graduating senior who is planning on attending a post-graduate school. The student should demonstrate community involvement and be a student athlete during their high school years. The recipient will receive the scholarship after their first semester of college studies by showing proof of academic standing.

Dorothy E. Reppen Scholarship

Sponsor: Estate of Dorothy E. Reppen

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipients of this scholarship must be graduates of Lodi High School and plan on pursuing advanced education at any college, university or trade school. The Scholarship Committee will review applicants based upon academic achievement and need.

Dr. Wallace G. & Elizabeth O. Irwin Scholarship Fund

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient of this scholarship must be a graduating senior of Lodi High School and have been accepted to a post-secondary school with the intention of majoring in a health related field. The Lodi High School Scholarship Committee will select the recipient based upon the student's academic history in high school, contribution to the school and community and participation in extracurricular activities.

Farmers and Merchants Bank Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient should be going onto school in an area of general business or any agricultural related field. Scholarship is not limited to a 4- year degree program.

Frank & Shirley Groves Scholarship Fund

Sponsor: The Groves Family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient of this scholarship must be a graduating senior of Lodi High School and will be attending UW Madison.

Henry and Carine Nelson Family Scholarship

Sponsor: Nelson family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient of this scholarship will be a Lodi High School graduate who has attended Lodi High School for at least two years. Preference is given to students in the top 10% of their class and will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Herold & Lois Ryan Scholarship

Sponsor: The family of Herold & Lois Ryan

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Must be a graduating senior of LHS who plans on attending a postsecondary school in an agricultural related field, and ranking in the top 50% of graduating class.

Howard Padley Scholarship

Sponsor: McGann Construction

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Must be pursuing a career in a construction field.

Kathleen Rubesch Scholarship

Sponsor: Rubesch Family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate who has earned a 3.0 GPA and plans on going to a post-secondary school in service areas such as teaching, social work, or counseling. Applications will be reviewed with the possibility for an interview to complete the selection process.

Kenneth J and Eleanor D Johnson Scholarship

Sponsor: Estate of Kenneth and Eleanor Johnson

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipients of this scholarship must be graduates of Lodi High School and plan on pursuing advanced education at any college, university or trade school. The Scholarship Committee will review applicants based upon academic achievement and involvement in athletics, music or FFA.

Larry & Judy Wieland Scholarship Fund

Sponsor: Larry Wieland

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: A LHS graduating senior who will be attending a four-year college. 1st preference will be given to a student pursuing a degree in education. 2nd preference will be given to a student pursuing a degree in Mathematics or a Mathematics related field. 3rd preference will be given to a student athlete. The recipient must have been involved in a variety of extracurricular activities during their four years of high school.

Larry Wieland Applied Math Scholarship

Application deadline: April 1

Requirements: A LHS graduating senior who will be attending UW-Madison. This scholarship will be given to a student pursuing a degree in Mathematics or a Mathematics related field. Applications must be submitted online.

<https://lodianscholarships.org/>

Lodi American Legion

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: All Senior High School students who intend on pursuing a career in a medical field, fire protection, police science or emergency medical.

Lodi American Legion - Francis Michel Memorial

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: All Senior High School students who were enrolled in band

Lodi American Legion Auxiliary

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: Senior High School students who plan on attending trade school or four year college. Applicants must prove that they are related to a veteran or current member of the armed forces.

Lodi American Legion Auxiliary-Mary Peterson Memorial Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: All Senior High School students who plan on pursuing a career in the teaching field. Applicants must prove that they are related to a veteran or current member of the armed forces.

Lodi Educators Association Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate. First preference shall be given to a member of the LEA's family, followed by candidates considering the field of education and then to all other candidates. Monies will be awarded at the end of their fall semester of freshman year indicating that a successful, full course load (minimum of 12 credits) has been completed via a transcript/grade report.

Lodi High School Alumni Association Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate and plan on attending a technical school or technical program.

Lodi High School Class of 1955 Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be planning to attend a college, university or technical school. Leadership and community service throughout their high school career is also important.

Lodi High School Class of 1968 Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Must be a graduating senior from Lodi High School planning to attend a college, university, or vocational program.

Lodi Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Must be a graduating senior from Lodi High School planning to attend a college, university, technical school or trade program.

Lodi Rotary Club Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Applicants must be graduates of Lodi High School and have demonstrated service to the community.

Lodi United Methodist Church-Dolly Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated community service and are planning on attending a vocational school or trade school.

Lodi Valley Masonic Lodge Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Applicants for this scholarship must be Lodi High School graduates who have demonstrated leadership in both the school and community, and have been involved in service activities for the school and community.

Lorraine Meek Scholarship

Sponsor: Grandchildren of Lorraine Meek

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Graduate of LHS who plans on pursuing advanced education in a healthcare field.

Mary Alice Kozel

Memorial Scholarship

Sponsor: Kozel Family

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate who has maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average. Selection of this recipient will be based upon the applicant's leadership and contributions to Lodi High School.

Olivia Grace Mullarkey Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Graduate of LHS who plans on pursuing advanced education in a healthcare field.

Pioneers of the Future

Sponsor: Matthew Keener

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: LHS graduate planning to attend a University of Wisconsin college in science, technology, engineering or math.

Reach Out Lodi Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: The two recipients of this scholarship must be entering an Apprenticeship program, trades program, technical college or a four year college. Also, have a good work ethic and an interest in bettering themselves and their community.

Rod & Bobbie Hanson Student Athlete Scholarship

Sponsor: Lodi HS Golf Alumni and Family of Rod & Bobbie Hanson

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The applicants must have earned two or more athletic letters in more than one sport. Applicants must be a LHS graduate who will be entering a college, university or technical school and who has maintained at least a 3.0 GPA after 7 semesters. Selection of these recipients will also be based on this student athlete's abilities to show leadership and be a team player.

Shelly Pare Music Scholarship

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Seven semesters of music in high school. Will be attending a four-year college.

Susan Frankland Musical Gifts Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduating senior who is pursuing a degree in vocal, instrumental music, or the entertainment industry.

Winnequah Gun Club

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: Student must be a graduate of Lodi High School. All students can apply but preference will be given to students planning on attending a vocational technical college.

Wisconsin River Mutual Insurance Company

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduate of Lodi High School and have been accepted into a post-secondary higher education program.

The following scholarships may: Require an essay, letters of recommendation, may have early or later application deadlines or may use their own application form.

Amelia Heider Memorial Scholarship Fund

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Recipient of this scholarship must be a graduating senior of Lodi High School planning on pursuing a 4-year college degree program. The applicant will have exhibited a strong academic drive and be highly involved in both arts and sports extracurricular activities as well as community service organizations. In addition applicants must submit a 500-word (max) essay describing how they hope to make the world a better place as a result of their current/future education.

Andrea L. Ritland Memorial

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be enrolled as a senior at Lodi High School with the intention to graduate in 2024, and has an interest in pursuing opportunities in the areas of mental health support, advocacy, activism, or community building (e.g., involvement in groups like NAMI, the LGBTQ+ community, Big Brothers & Big Sisters, volunteering, school groups, etc.). Students are not required to be pursuing higher education, and priority will be given to students who express a financial need for their future plans. In addition the sponsor requires a short essay (200-500 words MAX) regarding how the applicant's interests and experiences align with the focus of the scholarship.

Brad Morter Memorial

Application deadline: March 9

Sponsor: Family & Friends of Brad Morter

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a Lodi High School graduate, a resident of Lodi Area School District and a senior who is graduating this calendar year. You must also be accepted or expect to enroll in higher education (vocational school, apprenticeship program). Please provide a minimum 500 word essay describing your future aspirations, including community service.

Dane American Legion Auxiliary

Application deadline: March 9

Sponsor: Dane American Legion Auxiliary

Requirements: A senior who is graduating this calendar year who will be attending a post secondary school, who either attends Lodi High School or is a member, or child or grandchild of a member of Dane American Legion Post 503 or Dane American Legion Auxiliary Unit 503. In addition to the local scholarship application, sponsor requires an essay on "How people in our country have benefited from the commitment of our military."

Duane M. & Marilyn H. Kirking

Application deadline: March 9

Sponsor: Duane M. & Marilyn J. Kirking

Requirements: The scholarship recipient must be a graduating senior accepted at a college or university, intending to pursue a degree in a health profession with potential to become a leader in health care. In addition to a high level of academic achievement, the recipient shall have demonstrated leadership in school or other organizational and community activities. Recipient must maintain satisfactory academic standing as defined by a minimum, cumulative 2.0 GPA. In addition to local scholarship application, sponsor requires a 400 word (max) essay explaining how your experiences to date and plans for the future would make you a worthy recipient of this scholarship.

Harmony Grove Association

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduate of Lodi High School and have been accepted into a post-secondary higher education program and who has demonstrated community service. In addition to local scholarship application, sponsor requires a 200-300 word (max) essay regarding why community service is important.

Lake Wisconsin Lions Club Scholarships

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: Two scholarships will be awarded to a graduating senior. One student attending a technical college furthering their education towards an associate degree, technical diploma, trade apprenticeship, or other certification. One student attending a university/college in pursuit of a bachelor's degree.

Other criteria: Volunteer service to community, character, financial need, leadership qualities, involvement in school activities and academic achievement. In addition to local scholarship application, sponsor requires a 400-500 word essay "What does community service mean to you and how have you given back to your community."

Lodi Area Fire Department - Christopher Lord Memorial Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: You must be a resident of the Lodi Area School District and a senior who is graduating this calendar year. You must also be accepted or expect to be enrolling in higher education to study firefighting, emergency medical services, law enforcement or a related field. Please provide a minimum 500 word essay describing your career aspirations within the protective services field (fire, EMS, police), and why you believe the Lodi Area Fire Dept. should award you a scholarship.

Lodi High School Music Boosters

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduate of Lodi High School and must be currently enrolled in a LHS band or choir class. [Use this Music Booster Scholarship](#)

OSC Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 9

Requirements: The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduate of Lodi High School and have been accepted into a post-secondary higher education program. [Applicants must write a one page essay on how they have made a difference at their school or in their community.](#)

Robert & Marguerite Reed Memorial

Sponsor: The family of Robert & Marguerite Reed

Application deadline: March 9

Requirements: Applicant must be a LHS graduate who has been in the School District of Lodi for at least 3 years, is attending post-secondary school, plans to study business, and ranks in the top half of the class. [Priority is given to students that are active in their community. Please provide a 500 word essay](#)

Laude System

The purpose of the Laude System is to recognize students for the rigor of their academic program as well as their success in that program.

Award Levels

There are three levels of awards

- Summa Cum Laude
- Magna Cum Laude
- Cum Laude

Laude Score

A student's Laude Score will be determined by multiplying 1) the student's cumulative GPA after first semester senior year by 2) the number of recognized Cum Laude Recognition courses completed in all four years.

*You can get your Laude score by emailing or talking to Ms. Kinonen or Mr. Lembcke.

Cut Off Scores

60 and above	Summa Cum Laude
45-59.999	Magna Cum Laude
30-44.999	Cum Laude
29.999 and below	No laude recognition

Grade point calculation

A+ = 100 4.000 B+ = 88-89 3.333 C+ = 78-79 2.333 D+ = 68-69 1.333
F < 60 0.000

A = 93-99 4.000 B = 83-87 3.000 C = 73-77 2.000 D = 63-67 1.000

A- = 90-92 3.667 B- = 80-82 2.667 C- = 70-72 1.667 D- = 60-62 0.667

An "E" would be the same as a "D"; 1.0

A "P" grade earns credit but does not affect GPA.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The scholarship committee is a standing committee that is used to select recipients of scholarships and various awards. The school counselors, who do not have voting privileges, chair this committee. The committee is composed of an administrator and faculty representatives from various disciplines. Membership of this committee varies from 5-8 voting members.

It is the policy of the School District of Lodi, pursuant to s.118.13, Wisconsin Statutes, and PI 9, that no person, on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, color, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, cognitive, emotional, or learning disability, or handicap may be denied admission to any school in this district, or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program.