Indiana Builders Association
Educational Scholarship Application

Purpose: The Indiana Builders Association Educational Scholarship Foundation honors IBA's long-time CEO, the late Bill Carson, by awarding scholarships to deserving students who have chosen building as their future vocation to continue in that field and to excel in their studies.

Awards: The Foundation will award scholarships to deserving students who have chosen the building industry as their vocation. Scholarships will be awarded to individuals desiring to continue their education to enhance their career in the building industry, whether it be a structured degree, certification, designation apprenticeship, or an approved continuing education class.

The awards are no less than $500 per school year and are non-renewable. The award is subject to change at the discretion of the Indiana Builders Association. Possible reasons for changing the award amount would be an increase in scholarship fund endowment, increasing college tuition costs, and the scholarship review committee's decision to increase the number and amount of awards. The award will be deposited with the controller of the appropriate school in the student's name and is to be used for tuition and fees redemption only.

Eligibility: The student must be at least a senior in high school and be in good standing with the school. The student must also be a legal resident of the state of Indiana, live in the jurisdiction of the Indiana Builders Association and be enrolled in a construction technology program or a related construction field of study. Past recipients are eligible.

Criteria: Each student will be judged according to academic achievement, prior work experience in the area of construction technology, recommendations by faculty and employers and specific career objectives.

Selection: Applications must be submitted to the Indiana Builders Association by December 31, 2026. The announcement of the winning candidate(s) will occur by March 1, 2027.

Applications are due by December 31, 2026 and can be submitted via mail or email:
IBA Educational Scholarship, 101 W. Ohio St., Ste. 710, Indianapolis, IN 46204
tyler@buildindiana.org

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The Indiana Builders Association is a statewide trade organization representing Indiana's home building, remodeling and light commercial construction industry. Our scholarship program has been developed to assist students studying construction technology or a related construction field. We encourage students who have an interest in finding a career within the residential construction industry to apply.

Personal Information

Name of Applicant: _____ Birth Date: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Permanent Mailing Address: _____
City State Zip Code

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Marital Status: _____ Number of Dependents: _____

Academic Information

High School: _____ Dates: _____ to _____

College / University: _____ Dates: _____ to _____

Department: _____ Major: _____

Current GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Status: ☐ Full Time ☐ Part Time and ☐ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate

Number of credit hours enrolled in this semester: _____

Number of completed credit hours in major: _____

Total number of completed credit hours in all course work: _____

Class Standing (year in school): _____

Number of outstanding credit hours needed to graduate: _____

Type of degree to be received upon graduation: _____

Anticipated graduation date: _____

Have you participated in any vocational training; if so where? _____

Other relevant training: _____

Other Information

Extracurricular activities (community, volunteer, hobbies, interests): _____

_____

Special honors, awards, scholastic achievements: _____

_____

Professional affiliations: _____

_____

Have you previously received a scholarship from IBA? _____

If so, when? _____ How much? _____

Essay

The scholarship programs of the Indiana Builders Association are intended to assist students who are interested in pursuing a career in residential construction.
Write a brief overview of the specific career interests that you have in the construction industry. Please describe career goals, potential employers, and geographic preferences. Limit your response to one page or less. Please attach your essay to this application. Failure to submit an essay may disqualify your application.

Employment Information

List both current and previous work experiences. Explain briefly the duties and responsibilities required at each job. If additional space is required, use an additional sheet of paper and attach it to this application.

Employer: _____ Supervisor: _____

Dates employed: _____ to_____ Hours worked per week: _____

Duties: _____

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Dates employed: _____ to_____ Hours worked per week: _____

Duties: _____

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Employer/Faculty Recommendations

Two employer or faculty recommendations must be received for each applicant. The attached recommendation form should be provided to those persons from whom you have requested references. It is preferred that you receive a recommendation from one employer and one instructor. However if an employer is not applicable, use two instructors. Please list the names of the two people from whom you have solicited recommendations:

1. _____ 2. _____

General Information

Completed applications, the required essay and faculty/employer recommendation forms must be returned to the Indiana Builders Association by December 31, 2026.

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All information given by a candidate will be held confidential.

I agree that this application and all attachments have been accurately and wholly completed to the best of my knowledge. The appropriate college/university department chairman and the scholarship review committee of the Indiana Builders Association may use this information for the purpose of evaluation.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Faculty/Employer Recommendation for
the Indiana Builders Assocation Educational Scholarship

The faculty member or employer of the scholarship candidate should complete the following recommendation. The completed recommendation should be returned directly to the Indiana Builders Association by December 31, 2026.

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Email: tyler@buildindiana.org

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of faculty member or employer: _____

Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

How long have you known the applicant?: _____

What is your relationship to the applicant?: _____

In the following space provided, please describe the applicant's attributes as they relate to the construction industry and why he/she would be a worthy recipient of this scholarship. Any other additional comments or remarks concerning the candidate's past performance and potential are greatly welcomed.

Faculty Member/Employer Signature: _____Date: _____