



KEARNEY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mark Benjamin Building Opportunity Scholarship Guidelines

The purpose of the Mark Benjamin Building Opportunity Scholarship will be for tuition and fees required for enrollment and attendance at an educational institution, and/or for books, supplies and equipment required for courses of instruction, under the policies of the educational institution.

The scholarship money will be paid directly to the educational institution. Before payment, the scholarship recipient must provide verification of enrollment. If the scholarship recipient drops out before the end of the school term or for any reason does not use the full amount of the scholarship in the academic year for which it is awarded, the unused portion shall be returned to the Kearney Area Community Foundation.

Deadline:

- April 1

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a current, graduating senior, past graduate, a graduate of a home study, or have a GED from a Buffalo County or Kearney County high school
- May be a non-traditional student
- Must be a resident of Buffalo County, Nebraska
- Must be enrolled or planning to enroll part-time or full-time in an accredited, tax-exempt, two-year trade, vocational, or technology institution of higher learning in Nebraska
- Must be pursuing a degree in the construction trades field of study
- Must show financial need for the scholarship
- While enrolled in the educational institution, recipient must maintain a grade point average of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale

Selection Criteria:

- Scholarship application
- Involvement in non-academic activities
- Character Statements (2)
- Submission of verification of the student's 1st semester of grades and continued enrollment in higher education

Scholarship Award:

- This \$1,250 scholarship will be awarded to the scholarship recipient at the beginning of the second semester of the first year of higher education

To learn more about applying, go to <https://www.kearneyfoundation.org/scholarships>