

William E. and Louise Barber Endowed Scholarship Fact Sheet Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa

Type of Scholarship

- One college education scholarship is available to a graduating senior (“Student”) of the East Mills High School and a graduating senior (“Student”) of the Fremont-Mills High School, for tuition and/or books at a school of the student’s choice.
- The Applicant must be pursuing a two- or four-year degree, full-time, at any accredited vocational/technical educational institution or a college or university of the graduate’s choice.
- In making such grants, the Fund will take into consideration the Donor’s intent to perpetuate the honor of William E. and Louise Barber, long-time residents of Mills County and to provide financial assistance to seniors or graduates who in an application can demonstrate a successful high school academic career along with demonstrated community service spirit of volunteerism and explain why they need the Barber Endowed Scholarship and how it will help them achieve their goals.

Number of scholarships

Two scholarships of approximately \$500, one to an East Mills graduating senior and one to a Fremont-Mills graduating senior.

Who may apply?

Any East Mills or Fremont-Mills High School graduating senior. Applicant must be pursuing a two- or four-year degree at any accredited vocational/technical educational institution or a college or university of the graduate’s choice.

How do I apply?

Complete a William E. and Louise Barber Endowed Scholarship application form and submit it, along with a copy of your current transcripts, to the East Mills or Fremont-Mills High School Guidance Counselor. Applications are available from the East Mills or Fremont-Mills High School guidance counselor office or online at www.swiowafoundations.org.

What is the Deadline?

Annually, completed scholarship materials must be submitted to your Guidance Counselor no later than **March 31st**.

What is the purpose of the William E. and Louise Barber Endowed Scholarship?

In making scholarship awards, the selection committee will take into consideration the donor’s intent to perpetuate the honor of William E. and Louise Barber, long-time residents of Mills County, and to provide financial assistance to worthy students with a successful high school academic career and a demonstrated community service spirit of volunteerism. Students must explain in their application why they need the scholarship and how it will help them achieve their goals.

Who selects the scholarship recipients?

A designated scholarship selection committee approved by the Mills Community Foundation Advisory Board will select the recipients at an April meeting.

How is the scholarship recipient notified?

The High School Guidance Counselor office will notify the recipient of their selection and school traditions of public announcements are observed. A packet of materials for the recipient is provided to the High School Guidance Counselor office.

What are my responsibilities as a Barber Scholar?

- Recipients must have a high school GPA of 3.5 to qualify and must maintain a “B” (3.0) or better grade point or the equivalent and send the Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa a copy of each semester’s transcripts along with a note to the Barber family describing that semester’s experience.
- Applicants must list/describe community service/involvement.
- Applicants must provide three (3) letters of recommendation attesting to the student’s community-service involvement, school career, and the character of the student applying for the scholarship. Letters must come from the following: (1) School; (2) Community leader; (3) Minister/Clergy.

**William E. and Louise Barber Endowed Scholarship Application
Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa**

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Personal Data

Applicant Name (Last, First, Middle) Phone Number

Address City State Zip Code

Email - **PLEASE PROVIDE AN EMAIL YOU WILL BE CHECKING AND HAVE ACCESS TO BEYOND GRADUATION.**
*All scholarship communications from Foundation staff will be sent to **this** email, including your scholarship agreement, if awarded.*

Age: _____ I am a: high school senior GED degree student Other: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s)

Parent/Guardian Home Address, if different from applicant City State Zip Code

Parent/Guardian Phone Number(s)

Educational Data

High School Graduation Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Address City State Zip Code

School for which aid is requested

Address City State Zip Code

Have you been accepted as a student at this school? Yes No

Student ID for school where you will continue your studies, if available: _____

Anticipated Graduation Semester/Year: _____ Degree/Certificate Expected: _____

I will be: Undergraduate 1 2 3 4 Graduate 1 2 3

I will be enrolled: full-time half-time or more less than half-time

I will live: on campus at home with family off campus

Academic/Career Preparation

Please write a short statement about your educational intentions and list any scholarships you have been awarded.*

**For this and other statements, use an additional sheet when needed.*

Applicant Profile

Academic Achievement: Your school transcript will contain a summary of subjects and grades. Use this space to share personal scholastic self-observations that would help qualify you to receive academic financial assistance.*

Honors/Awards:

Activities: List all community and school activities in which you have participated to a significant degree.*

Paid Work Experience: List work experience (full- or part-time) you have had or attach a current resume.

Employer

How long?

Position held

Hours per week

Special Circumstances: Do you have any unusual family, personal, or financial circumstances that you think warrant special consideration?*

Personal Statement

Develop a statement as to the motivating factors or important experiences that have helped to shape your philosophy and/or your educational plans/career goals.

Describe your personal philosophy regarding the meaning of "success". How did you come to think of this? What education or career path could lead you to live a "successful" life?

Explain why you need this scholarship and how it will help you achieve your goals. Think carefully about this statement, as it is very important in the selection process.

Please attach your personal statement to your application. Limit to one page.

Transcript

Please include your most recent school transcript with this application.

Certification

Your signature on this application authorizes the Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa and the Scholarship Committee to examine your academic and personal records and certifies the accuracy of the information you provided. **UNSIGNED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.** Please print this document before signing.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____