

## CEDARVILLE LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- This Academic Scholarship requires senior High School students to have a minimum 2.5 GPA or better after seven semesters (based on a 4.0 GPA system) at the time of application.
- This academic scholarship will be considered for only current students graduating from Stephenson County High Schools in the 2025-2026 school year. By the fall semester following high school graduation, the student must be enrolled in an accredited education program at a university, junior college, or vocational/technical school, carrying twelve (12) credit hours or more per term.
- Suppose a student withdraws from a chosen higher education school during/after their first semester. In that case, any scholarship payment previously received is expected to be repaid to Cedarville Lions Club "Scholarship Fund" for use by future applicants.
- Students are encouraged to maintain a 3.0 GPA, B average, or better at the end of each semester.
- Payment is made in two \$250 allotments at the end of two consecutive semesters after receipt of the official grade transcript showing individual course grades and overall GPA. The funds to be dispersed to students can be used for any school-related purpose, such as scrubs for medical students, Books, Gas for travel, etc.
- Students must serve at least one Cedarville Lions Club event in the awarded lion year, July - June.

### APPLICATION PROCESS:

Scholarship applicant students shall submit the following to the Cedarville Lions Club Scholarship Committee:

1. Completed: Cedarville Lions Academic \$500 Scholarship 2025-26 application form.
2. Official: Grade transcript with cumulative GPA and Rank in Class must be included.
  - Applications without an official grade transcript will not be considered.
3. Updated Resume.
4. List all community service activities within 2 years, with verification or evidence or activities. This includes signatures, photographs, etc.
5. One page in an envelope: A minimum of one "Letter of Recommendation" is required, which attests to your academic achievements, speaks of your character, and/or your achievements toward service and citizenship. Letter(s) may be from a teacher, counselor, coach, pastor, etc., with no family relationship to the applicant.
6. Current headshot or a professional photograph of the student.
7. Personal Essay: Please present your thoughts in writing on no more than two typed pages (975 words maximum). The essay must address the topics noted on the application in separate paragraphs. Essays will be checked for AI/Chat GPT usage; all essays found to use AI/Chat GPT will be eliminated.

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8. Field of Study & Humanitarian Service: Why have you chosen this field of study and how will it improve humanitarian services and make a difference in your community and/or the people who live there?
9. Lionism: What is your understanding of this terminology?

APPLICATION DEADLINE: A postmark is required on or before April 4th, 2025. Late postal delivery or incomplete applications will not be considered. Return the application to the address below:

**CEDARVILLE LIONS CLUB  
Scholarship Committee 2025  
P.O. Box 324  
Cedarville, IL. 61013**

CEDARVILLE LIONS CLUB ACADEMIC: A \$500 scholarship recipient will be awarded a Scholarship at your school's awards ceremony, depending on school deadlines. Students will attend a Cedarville Lions Club meeting. Directions for payment will be included. Prior notice of scholarship award selection will not be announced.

All questions on the APPLICATION FORM must be answered completely and truthfully. If answers are false, this Scholarship Grant will be void. If more room is needed to answer any question, attach another typed sheet of paper to the APPLICATION FORM.

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**CEDARVILLE LIONS CLUB \$500 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**  
**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Student Attends: \_\_\_\_\_

Involvement in Lions Club: Yes / No. If yes, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

List: A) College / School you plan to attend; B) Intended 'Major' Field of Study (Required)

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