

Scholarship Opportunities

Attention, parents of high school students: Don't miss out! Scholarship opportunities are available for High School seniors applying this year. Visit the scholarship pages on the Elks National or Florida State Elks websites to review application deadlines. For more information or assistance, contact the Sebring Elks office, which will connect you with someone who can answer your questions.



ELKS MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

ACADEMICS | SERVICE | LEADERSHIP | FINANCIAL NEED

ELIGIBILITY: High school senior and United States citizen.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ▶ APPLICATION OPENS: August 1, 2026
- ▶ APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 12, 2026

500 FOUR-YEAR AWARDS*

- ▶ 20 AWARDS WORTH \$30,000
- ▶ 480 AWARDS WORTH \$4,000

*Awards paid over four years.

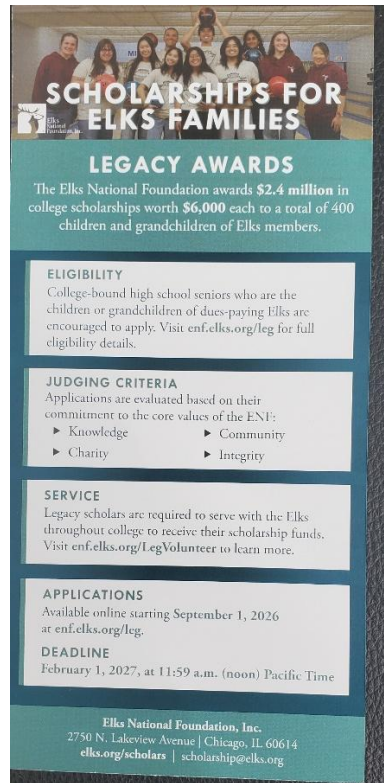
FOR DETAILS

- ▶ Visit enf.elks.org/MVS to apply.
- ▶ Contact your local Lodge by visiting elks.org/Lodges.
- ▶ Ask your high school guidance counselor.

The Elks National Foundation awards **\$2.52 million** in college scholarships to a total of 500 high school seniors nationwide through its Most Valuable Student scholarship contest.

Visit enf.elks.org/MVS for complete details.

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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ELKS FAMILIES

LEGACY AWARDS

The Elks National Foundation awards **\$2.4 million** in college scholarships worth **\$6,000** each to a total of 400 children and grandchildren of Elks members.

ELIGIBILITY

College-bound high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks are encouraged to apply. Visit enf.elks.org/leg for full eligibility details.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Applications are evaluated based on their commitment to the core values of the ENT:

- ▶ Knowledge
- ▶ Community
- ▶ Charity
- ▶ Integrity

SERVICE

Legacy scholars are required to serve with the Elks throughout college to receive their scholarship funds. Visit enf.elks.org/LegVolunteer to learn more.

APPLICATIONS

Available online starting September 1, 2026 at enf.elks.org/leg.

DEADLINE

February 1, 2027, at 11:59 a.m. (noon) Pacific Time

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Our Mission

The mission of the Florida State Elks Association C. Valentine Bates Memorial HOPE Scholarship is to provide financial support for the educational needs of Florida high school seniors without which they would not be able to achieve their educational goals.

Students Targeted

This scholarship targets students who have maintained an un-weighted GPA of 2.30 to 3.59. Students with an un-weighted GPA above 3.59 cannot apply. We are looking for students who have demonstrated leadership through participation in school activities, community service, and citizenship. Special consideration is given to those students who have shouldered extra responsibility such as working throughout their high school career to help provide support for siblings or family.

Program Eligibility Overview

- 1 Be a student in graduating class of high school or its related equivalent
- 2 Seniors graduating at semester (December) must apply during application year before they graduate
- 3 Must be a resident of the state of Florida
- 4 Must be a United States citizen
- 5 Applicants for law enforcement, fire or corrections academy must apply within 5 years of high school graduation

THE SCHOLARSHIP is presented with the understanding that the recipient will enroll in an undergraduate program of study at an accredited American college or university, a junior college, an accredited vocational or technical training program, or a first responders academy.

There is no restriction for the use of the scholarship. It may be utilized for tuition, books, lab fees, tutoring, room & board, transportation, food, uniforms, etc.

AWARDS AND AMOUNTS

Annually, the Florida State Elks Association (FSEA) will offer scholarships to deserving graduating senior applicants, in amounts ranging from \$3,000 to \$20,000 per recipient.

C. VALENTINE BATES MEMORIAL HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Inspiring the pursuit of knowledge