

Blue Grass Community Foundation offers a variety of scholarship opportunities for **Fayette County public high school students**. All scholarships offered to FCPS students are **need-based**, taking into consideration not only the student's **academic achievement**, but also their **unmet financial need**.

Visit <https://www.bgcf.org/scholarships/bgcf.org> or scan the code to learn more about the application process:



Scholarships

16th District PTA Scholarship

The objective of the 16th District PTA Scholarship is to give deserving young people the financial means to continue their education. This non-renewable scholarship is awarded to high school seniors attending Fayette County Public Schools. Eligible applicants must have a minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.5**. Scholarships are awarded based on applicant's **financial need, academic achievement, and contribution to the community**. The amount of the award varies each year. *This scholarship also makes available an additional application for those students with Special Needs. Applying under this category, student is required to provide their Individual Education Plan (IEP).*

Eligibility:

- Recipient must be a graduating high school senior at a Fayette County Public High School with an active PTA
- Recipient must demonstrate financial need
- Recipient must have a minimum cumulative GPA of **2.5**
- Recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university in the fall

CLARK Scholars Scholarship

This scholarship was established by CLARK Material Handling Company to provide \$1,000 renewable scholarships to students who can show **individual achievement, community awareness and involvement and academic accomplishment**. This Scholarship is open to **graduating seniors attending public high schools in Fayette County, as well as to immediate family members of CLARK employees who reside in Kentucky**. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative **GPA of 3.0**. Preference giving to first-generation college students. The CLARK Scholars Scholarship provides an award of **\$1,000** that is renewable for up to four consecutive years of undergraduate study.

Eligibility:

- Recipient must be a graduating senior from Fayette County Public Schools in Lexington, Kentucky or an immediate family member of a CLARK employee residing in Kentucky
- Recipient must demonstrate financial need
- Recipient must qualify for a Federal Pell Grant (or demonstrate equivalent level of need, if student is ineligible to receive Federal Aid)
- Recipient must have a cumulative GPA of **3.0 or higher**
- Recipient must show involvement in extracurricular activities and/or community service
- Recipient must attend a four-year college or university and be enrolled full-time
- Preference given to first-generation college students

Emma E. Buckley Scholarship

This scholarship was established in honor of Emma E. Buckley, a long-time philanthropist in Kentucky. This renewable scholarship is awarded to high school seniors attending **Woodford County High School** or **Fayette County Public Schools** who demonstrate significant financial need. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.5**. Preference is given to first-generation college students. This scholarship provides an award of **\$2,500** that is renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study.

Eligibility:

- Recipient must be a graduating senior from Fayette County Public Schools or Woodford County High School
- Recipient must demonstrate significant financial need
- Recipient must qualify for a Federal Pell Grant (or demonstrate equivalent level of need, if student is ineligible to receive Federal Aid)
- Recipient must have an unweighted cumulative GPA of **2.5 or higher**
- Recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university in the fall
- Preference given to first-generation college students

Jane Allen Newman Scholarship

The Jane Allen Newman Scholarship Fund awards three scholarships of **\$2,500** each to high school seniors in **Fayette, Harrison, or Union counties, Kentucky** with **significant financial need** who wish to further pursue their education by attending college. Applicant must have minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**. Preference given to first-generation college students. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study, provided that the student maintains a 2.0 cumulative GPA, maintains full-time status, and is in good academic standing.

Eligibility:

- Recipient must be a graduating senior from Fayette, Harrison, or Union County Public Schools
- Recipient must demonstrate significant financial need
- Recipient must qualify for a Federal Pell Grant (or demonstrate equivalent level of need, if student is ineligible to receive Federal Aid)
- Recipient must have cumulative GPA of **2.0 or higher**
- Recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university in the fall
- Preference given to first-generation college students

John and Maggie Price Scholarship

The John and Maggie Price Scholarship was established in 2015 through an estate gift from Mr. John Price, former member of the Fayette County Board of Education. Mr. Price established this scholarship so that his passion for education and helping Fayette County public school students would continue. This non-renewable scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors at **Tates Creek High School** in Lexington, Kentucky who intend to **major in nursing** at an accredited, four-year college. The amount of the scholarship varies each year.

Applicant qualifications required for this scholarship:

- Must be a graduating senior attending **Tates Creek High School** in Lexington, KY
- Must have a cumulative **GPA of 2.8 or higher**
- Must plan to attend an accredited, four-year college and major in **nursing**
- Must be active in school and community
- Demonstrate financial need

Murry Foundation Scholarship

The Murry Foundation Scholarship was established at Blue Grass Community Foundation by the Murry Foundation to assist students residing in Fayette County, Kentucky and Lancaster County, Pennsylvania achieve post-secondary education. The scholarship provides a \$5,000 award that is renewable for up to a total of four years of undergraduate study.

Criteria

- Recipient must be a resident of either **Fayette County, KY** or Lancaster County, PA
- Recipient must be a graduating senior attending a public high school or have completed the GED
- Recipient must have a minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of **2.50**
- Recipient must demonstrate **financial need**
- Recipient must plan to enroll full-time at any two- or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school at the start of the upcoming academic year
- Preference given to first-generation college students

Jennifer Leigh Soper Cystic Fibrosis Scholarship

The Jennifer Leigh Soper Scholarship was established by Lee Soper, in memory of his daughter. This scholarship provides is a non-renewable scholarship to a college-bound student with **cystic fibrosis**. Past recipients are eligible to reapply. The amount varies each year.

Applicant qualifications required for this scholarship:

- Must have been diagnosed with cystic fibrosis, confirmed by an accredited CF center
- Be enrolled full-time in an accredited college/university, community college or technical school for the upcoming academic year
- Exhibit potential for academic access
- Demonstrate Financial Need

How to Apply

- Visit BGCF website: <https://www.bgcf.org/scholarships/> for more information and to access the online application
- Online application will be made available by **December 2021**
- Deadline to apply will be **March 4, 2022**

Required Documentation

- **Transcript of grades** from your high school that includes 7 semesters of high school courses, including the most recent fall semester. You should be able to download a copy of this document through the FCPS Infinite Campus portal or by requesting a copy from your guidance counselor.
- **Complete Student Aid Report (SAR)** – After submitting your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, you will be able to log back into your FAFSA account and access your Student Aid Report (SAR) within 3 – 5 business days. You will be able to download a copy of the report and this is what you will need to upload with your application.
- **ACT Scores** - Only if your ACT scores are not included on your high school transcript, you will need to provide your official ACT scores, which can be downloaded from your ACT web account.
- **Financial Aid Award Letter** – once accepted to the school you plan to attend, you will be sent a Financial Award from the institution outlining the funds you will be awarded. You will provide a copy of this letter if you have received it prior to submitting your application.
- **Estimated Cost of Attendance** – this is an estimate of what you can expect to pay for one year of school. This includes tuition and fees, room and board, books, and supplies. This estimate can typically be found on the website of the college you plan to attend

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