



Education is the key to success!

The DeWitt Chamber Foundation, the charitable arm of the DeWitt Area Chamber of Commerce, offers three scholarship programs for students living in or attending high school in Clinton County. These programs focus on skilled trades, health care, and first responders.

The last few years have definitely shed a light on the need for qualified, skilled, and compassionate professionals in these areas.

The skilled trades industry struggles as so many have a tendency to overlook the importance of trades. These individuals build our homes, keep us warm on cold winter nights or cool during the very warm summer months. They keep our water running, lights on, and vehicles operating, not to mention the repair and maintenance of a wide array of mechanicals and electronics which support today's lifestyles.

If you have been in need of health care or found yourself or a loved one in the hospital, you have experienced first-hand the affects staff shortages have created. The health care industry continues to struggle with lack of skilled professionals at all levels, an industry critical to everyone's well-being.

First responders is another profession struggling to attract qualified individuals. Police, Fire, EMT's what would our community be like if we did not have them?

These professionals support our daily lives, support us in times of need, and are integral members of our communities. We would like to encourage students to consider these professions by providing scholarships

to assist with their education and training.

Students graduating from a Clinton County High School or live in Clinton County attending high school outside the county and will be attending an accredited post-secondary school in one of the three areas noted are eligible to apply for one of the DeWitt Chamber Foundation's Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000

Application Deadline is April 1, 2024 with no exceptions. Applications can be found by visiting the Chamber's Website at www.dewittareacc.org, or requesting an application via email by contacting the Chamber office at Loretta@dewittareacc.org.

The DeWitt Chamber Foundation is a non-profit charitable organization created to support educational opportunities throughout Clinton County.





DeWitt Chamber Foundation Scholarship Eligibility Requirements 2024

Post-Secondary Education can be expensive; however, it is so important in pursuing a successful future. The DeWitt Chamber Foundation would like to help graduating seniors living in Clinton County obtain their goals by providing \$1,000 scholarships to those seeking careers in health care, skilled trades, first responders.

DETAILED ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS DETAILS

To be eligible Applicants must:

- Reside in Clinton County or be a graduate of a Clinton County High School in 2024.
- Have maintained a cumulative GPA of 2.5 and
- Be enrolled or plan to enroll in an accredited program offering a Certificate of Completion, Associate's Degree, or Bachelor's Degree in health care, skilled trades, or first responder professions.

Educational Institution Requirements

The applicant must use the scholarship awarded to attend a post-secondary institution of learning that requires a high school diploma for admission. This could include any public or private four-year accredited college or university; two-year accredited college; or vocational/technical college or training institution.

Application Criteria and Supporting Materials Required

1. Completed and signed application form
2. An official copy of the applicant's transcript and grade report from their High School
3. At least one letter of recommendation from a teacher in support of the applicant's application. Additional letters from the school administrator, counselor, or employment supervisor may also be provided in support of the application although they are not required. Do not send letters of recommendation from immediate family members, close family friends, or relatives, they will not be considered and application could be denied
4. A typewritten statement of at least 200 words prepared and signed by the applicant which explains his/her reasons for wanting to pursue a career in the chosen field of study.

Payment of Scholarship Proceeds

The students selected to receive scholarships will be awarded a Certificate of **Eligibility at the Student Awards Program with financial payment made payable to the student once proof of enrollment from the school of choice has been received by the DeWitt Chamber Foundation.**

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**Please return your completed application
and supporting documents to the
DeWitt Chamber Foundation by April 1, 2024**



DeWitt Chamber Foundation 2024 Scholarship Application

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION AND RETURN TO THE DEWITT CHAMBER FOUNDATION BY APRIL 1, 2024

Name _____

Address: _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone (_____) _____

Career Desired _____

Trade School or College you plan to attend

Are you currently or have you previously worked in this field? Yes No

If the answer is yes, please provide the following information:

Company Name _____

Supervisor _____

Phone _____

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

By signing this application, you are stating that you are the author of the essay submitted and the material is not copied or electronically generated in any manner. You are also giving the Foundation permission to use your name and/or photograph in any and all marketing materials. Parent/Guardian signature if application under the age of 18.

_____ Date _____

Documents to be included with application:

- Student Essay
- Letter of support from at least one teacher
- Student Transcript

Application Deadline is April 1, 2024

Application and all supporting documents must be mailed or delivered to:

**DeWitt Chamber Foundation
13 S Bridge Street, DeWitt 48820**

Scholarship Award winners will be announced at High School Awards Program