

2025 GUERNSEY COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOLARSHIP 2025 GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

***Applications may be submitted beginning April 1, 2025 and
must be postmarked or emailed by May 31, 2025***

Eligibility Criteria: The scholarship is available to residents of Guernsey County who are eligible for services of the Guernsey County Board of Development Disabilities. The scholarship is for the 2025-26 academic year.

Directions:

- Step 1:** **Complete and sign the attached application** (attach *Personal Statements* and any other documents).
- Step 2:** **Applicant Appraisal** – One appraisal form is attached. You are encouraged to select a school counselor or teacher/professor; if this is not applicable, you may select an employer, member of the clergy, job supervisor, or other person who is in a position to recommend you according to the given criteria. Detach and deliver the form to your appraiser as soon as possible. **You are responsible for determining with the nominator how they prefer to submit the appraisal. You may collect and include it with your application, or the nominator may email/mail it separately to the Foundation (see options below).**
- Step 3:** **Transcript Information** – all students must attach a current transcript (official or unofficial).
- Step 4:** **Complete a FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and attach the SAI (Student Aid Index) page of the *Submission Summary* with this application. Only the page with SAI (Student Aid Index) number is needed.
- Step 5:** **If any questions** are not applicable, please provide an explanatory note referring to the questions by section. You also may wish to have your school counselor review your application for accuracy before submission.
- Step 6:** You are responsible for ensuring all supporting documents are submitted. **This application becomes valid only when the following have been received by the Foundation:**
- _____ Completed, signed application, including *Personal Statements*
 - _____ Current, *Unofficial* or *Official* Transcript of Student Grades
 - _____ One Appraisal/Nomination
 - _____ FAFSA *Submission Summary* page with SAI number

Please submit application materials through either of the following methods:

Option 1: Email to Scholarships@ffao.org and write "Guernsey Co. Bd. of DD Scholarship and STUDENT NAME" in subject line of the email. ***Please scan and attach your application, personal statements, transcript, and appraisal form (unless appraiser prefers to send separately) in one single-sided PDF, if possible.*** No need to mail originals. All emails (application and appraisal form) must be received no later than **May 31**.

Option 2: Mail to FAO, 35 Public Square, Nelsonville, OH 45764.

Applications must be postmarked or hand-delivered by May 31.

All applications and appraisals must be received by May 31, 2025.

If you have any questions, please email scholarships@ffao.org or call FAO at 740-300-0735

**GUERNSEY COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOLARSHIP
2025 APPLICATION**



**FOUNDATION FOR
APPALACHIAN OHIO**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
First Middle Initial Last

Date of Birth: _____ **Gender** _____ **Student Aid Index, SAI*:** _____
* attach SAI page from FAFSA Submission Summary

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Email: _____ **Phone:** () _____ **Cell:** () _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian #1

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Parent/Guardian #2

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Names and ages of siblings and any other school-aged dependents in the home:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

SCHOOL DATA

High School Attended: _____ **High School County:** GUERNSEY

HS Graduation Date: (MM/YY) _____ **or High School Equivalent Date:** _____

Post-Secondary Institution(s) for which applicant's scholarship is requested:

Option One: ☐ Currently Enrolled

Name _____

Address _____
City State

Option Two:

Name _____

Address _____
City State

For 2025-26 school year, indicate post-secondary grade level: 1 2 3 4 5 (Graduate)

Major/Field of Study: _____ **Graduation date:** _____

Estimated Annual Cost: Tuition: \$_____ Room/Board: \$_____ Books/Materials: \$_____

Enrollment/Housing Status: ☐ Less than half-time ☐ Half-time or more ☐ Full-time
☐ Live on Campus ☐ Live off Campus ☐ Commute

FINANCIAL AID

Please list all awards and amounts, including Grants, Scholarships, and Student Loans already received for the upcoming academic year, indicating if awards are one-time or renewable:

_____	_____
_____	_____

Please list any pending scholarships, grants and loans sought for the upcoming academic year:

_____	_____
_____	_____

PERSONAL STATEMENTS *(must be attached)*

Please attach your typed response to the following questions. Be sure to also address how you meet the criteria for the specific scholarship(s) to which you are applying.

1. Please submit an essay describing yourself, including personal aspirations, educational goals (what you plan to study and why), career goals and anything else you would like us to know about you.
2. Please describe any personal or family challenges that have affected you, your achievement in school, work experience, or participation in school and community activities.
3. List all volunteer, school, community, extracurricular, arts, musical, and cultural activities you have participated in during the past four years, indicating length of participation and any leadership roles, special awards, and honors.

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION *(must be attached)*

Please list your Current GPA: _____

- **High school students** and students who have completed less than one full semester of post-secondary education must submit a high school transcript (*unofficial or official*).
- **Students currently enrolled in college, community or vocational/technical school** who have completed more than one semester of school must submit a recent *unofficial or official* transcript.

Certification: *In submitting this application, I certify the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted.*

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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All emails (application and appraisal form) must be received no later than May 31, 2025.

Option 2: Mail to FAO, 35 Public Square, Nelsonville, OH 45764,

Applications sent by mail must be postmarked by May 31, 2025.

APPLICANT APPRAISAL

This form is to be completed by a high school or college counselor, advisor, clergy person, instructor, employer, job supervisor, etc.



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Student Name: _____ **Appraiser Name:** _____

Instructions to the Nominator: You have been asked to provide information in support of the above student's scholarship application. The **due date is May 31, 2025**. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following questions and provide your thoughts and comments to the students specific and unique qualifications. Please return to applicant in advance of the due date, or if you prefer, scan and email it to Scholarships@ffao.org by due date (**include "STUDENT NAME AND Appraisal" in the email subject line**). This appraisal is not an indicator of student perfection, but rather an indicator of scholarly endeavor and passion for post-secondary pursuits. Your thoughtful insights can greatly impact a student's application.

1. What qualities does this student have that make her/him worthy of consideration for a scholarship award? Why do you recommend her/him for this scholarship award?
2. Please note any pertinent information you feel would be helpful to the selection process. Identify how long you have known the applicant, and the circumstances and experiences that are the basis for this recommendation.

Appraiser's Signature

Date _____

Title

Phone _____