Westside Foundation Scholarships 2025

- 1) 73 "Grit" Scholarship \$2,500 scholarship (per semester, renewable for 3 years if criteria is met) for a Westside graduating senior who plans to attend a community college or university in Nebraska, write a brief essay about overcoming challenges and why you deserve the scholarship.
- 2) American National Bank Academic Scholarship \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior who plans to pursue a business degree, active member of FBLA or DECA organizations.
- 3) Ben Silverstein Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 scholarship for any Westside graduating senior who has demonstrated leadership, commitment to Westside High School activities, and demonstrates financial need.
- 4) **Benjamin Noah Lenagh Memorial Scholarship** (2) \$1,000 (2 given) plans to attend a four-year college or university pursuing a degree in Education. Essay required.
- 5) **Bill & Nancy Krueger Aspiring Math/Science Teacher Scholarship (New 2024)** \$500 scholarship for any Westside graduating senior who has demonstrated desire to further education in teaching Math or Science fields, plans to attend four-year college/University full time. Essay required.
- 6) **Bird Welding, Fabrication & Manufacturing Scholarship** \$1,500 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to pursue a career in Welding, Fabrication or Manufacturing at a Community College or Trade education, involvement in school activities (include resume), letter of recommendation and demonstrates financial need. An essay 500 words or less about how you have served and helped others in your life. This scholarship will support academic tuition, purchase of equipment/tools or personal expenses may be considered based on circumstances.
- 7) The Blazek Family –\$1,000 renewable for 3 years. (meet GPA criteria) Attend a 4 year college or university in Nebraska full-time, pursuing a degree in music, education, or nursing and demonstrate financial need.
- 8) **Bohdan Koszewski Scholarship** \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend a community college or university, teacher recommendation showing strong work ethic and determination, brief essay about future goals and why they feel it is deserved.
- 9) Carla Beardmore-Harding Memorial Scholarship \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to pursue a career in: Chemical Dependency Specialist, Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, Music Education or Music Performance. Special consideration to applicants whose lives have been touched by addiction or who have excelled in the arts, brief essay about why they want the career in their field.
- 10) **CS Perry Teacher Scholarship** \$1,500 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior who will attend a 4-year college or university, plans to pursue an education degree, **with a financial need**, short essay of why interested in a teaching career.
- 11) **David D. Dunham Scholarship** (New 2024) \$5,000 scholarship (renewable with a GPA 3.0 and higher, for Four years, \$20,000 potential)) for a Westside graduating senior, 3.75 GPA or higher, who has financial need, must attend a school in the Nebraska system; UNK, UNL, UNO. Essay required.

- 12) **Don Gilpin Scholarship** (New 2024) \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating graduating senior; 3.0 GPA or higher, active DECA student who exemplify the qualities of legendary marketing teacher, DECA advisor, and coach Don Gilpin. Essay required.
- 13) **Dr. H. Vaughn Phelps Memorial Scholarship** \$5,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who is considering a career in education, with financial need, have been awarded other scholarships and other special needs. Special consideration given to students who have overcome some handicap, such as a learning disability or a physical handicap.
- 14) **Emil F. Vohoska Journalism Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to pursue journalism in college (includes advertising/public relations), a commitment to Betterment of Community (volunteer, etc.).
- 15) **Fran Carr Memorial Scholarship** \$500 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend Metro Community College, trade school, beauty school or community college, brief essay about the career you wish to pursue and why.
- 16) Gary Ohm Westgate Scholarship \$1,000 scholarship for Westside graduating senior who attended Westgate Elementary. Must include career goals and have two recommendations from WHS faculty or administrator.
- 17) **Glen L. Spaulding Scholarship** \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who has an interest in Biomedical research and demonstrates a passion for Life Sciences.
- 18) **Grow Our Own Scholarship (New 2025)** (2) \$1,000 two given, must be member of Ed Rising One Education core class, with academic standing overall GPA 2.5 or higher. Pursuing Education.
- 19) **Gureno & Kuehnhold Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend a four-year college or university full time or part-time. Essay required.
- 20) Jack Meehan Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior who plans to attend a two-year or four-year college or university, embodies Jack's upbeat spirit, and submits the required essay.
- 21) John L. Hoich Paddock Road Scholarship \$2,500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who attended *Paddock* Road Elementary, who plans to attend a college or university in Nebraska, teacher recommendation, 2.0 GPA or higher, essay required.
- 22) **Logan & Renae Kirkland Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend either full time or part-time (2-year college, university, or trade school), write a 250-word essay on "The best deal you've ever gotten.".
- 23) Lois Krug Veach Culinary Arts Scholarship \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to pursue a Culinary Arts degree, teacher recommendation from the Family Consumer Science Department, brief essay about what inspired your passion for cooking.
- 24) **Lois Lucas Memorial Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who has demonstrated leadership and community service and GPA 3.5 or higher.
- 25) **Louis J. Milani Legacy Scholarship** \$2,500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who is a current student athlete or student staff for athletic team(s), (preference given to students who

- are part of wrestling (first option), football (second option), or athletic training or support staff (third option) programs, essay describing how you overcome a personal challenge in school and/or life to accomplish goals that will benefit your future. How has your belief in yourself and/or others belief in you helped you to accomplish these goals?
- 26) **Lydia Burgos Memorial Spanish Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who has taken *three years of Spanish in Middle and/or High School* with plans to continue study with Spanish in some form in college or other post high school education. Essay required.
- 27) **Maryan Stadie Loveland School Scholarship** \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who attended *Loveland* Elementary for at least 4 years, including the sixth grade, who plans to attend a post-secondary institution, has participated in school and community activities, and a brief essay about why you would be a good representative of Loveland and share a favorite moment you learned at Loveland.
- 28) **Masterson Scholar/Athlete Scholarship** -\$1,000/semester (renewable for spring) (2 given) scholarship for (one) female and (one) male Westside graduating senior athlete, who has lettered in at least one Varsity sport, plans to attend a 4-year college or university, document involvement in school, community or volunteer activities, financial need.
- 29) Merrill "Swede" Carlson Warrior Scholarship -varies Up to \$2,500 (to be used for tuition, undergraduate, graduate studies, professional/student development) multiple scholarships for a Westside Junior or Senior must meet 1 of 3 criteria: Student who has demonstrated "paying it forward" in school or community, student athlete at Westside who has demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, or requires financial need. Recommendation letter and Essay required.
- 30) **Michael C. Williams Business Scholarship** \$1,000 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to pursue a business- or business-related degree, who plans to attend a 4-year college or a 2-year (associate degree in business) at a community college, essay explaining why you chose a to pursue a business degree and why you feel you deserve the award.
- 31) **Richard and Helen Kelley Scholarship** \$2,500 (renewable with a GPA 3.0 and higher, for Four years, \$10,000 potential) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, based on need and potential, must be a full-time student in post-secondary education, essay submitted by applicant.
- **32)** Staenberg Family Scholarship (New 2025) \$2,500 (2 given) Student with Dyslexia or Specific Learning Disorder (SLD) with financial need, GPA 2.0 or higher. Plans to attend post-secondary school. Essay and recommendation letter required.
- 33) **Sunset Hills Alumni Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who attended **Sunset Hills** Elementary and plans to attend a college, university or vocational program, recommendation letters and essay required.
- 34) **Sunset Hills Pool Scholarship** \$500 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend a 2 or 4-year college or university, involved in at least one of the following: member of the Westside Swimming & Diving Team, Sunset Hills Pool Lifeguard, or member of Sunset Hills Pool. **2** Recommendation letters required with essay.
- 35) **The Blazek Family Scholarship** \$1,000 (renewable 3 years with a GPA of 3.0 or higher) scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who will attend as a full-time student at a 4-year college or university **in Nebraska** as a music, education, or nursing major, based on need and potential. Essay required.

- 36) **Tom Carman Memorial Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend a 4-year college or university, essay required.
- 37) **UNO Cooperating Teacher Scholarship** \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating **senior**, who will be attending **University of Nebraska at Omaha**, ranked upper 25% of class, pursues a degree in the **College of Education**, resume including activities.
- 38) Vicki and John Hallett UNL Scholarship \$2,500 Scholarship (renewable for 3 years with 2.75 GPA or higher maintained at UNL) a senior, who is going to attend the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, based on need, 250-word essay describing future career goals.
- 39) WAC- Westside Athletic Club Scholarship (New 2024) \$500 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside senior who plans to attend a postsecondary school. Participated in Varsity sport as team member, or manager.
- 40) WHS Class of '77 Scholarship (New 2025) (2 given) \$2,000 to a senior pursuing full-time postsecondary education. \$1,000 to a senior pursuing part-time post secondary classes. Essay required.
- 41) **Westside Spirit (Mascot) Scholarship** \$250 (2 given) scholarship for a Westside senior who displays school spirit and performs as a mascot in numerous westside events.
- 42) **Westside High School Eagle Scout Scholarship** \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who earned rank of Eagle Scout, provide a copy of official Eagle Scout rank.
- 43) Willsie Cap and Gown Scholarship \$500 (2 given) scholarship (one) female and (one) for a Westside graduating senior, who plans to attend a technical school, trade school, community college or university, two teacher recommendations, short essay about activities, work experience and future goals.
- 44) **W Club for Excellence Scholarship** \$2,500 (2 given; 1 male, 1 female) for a Westside outstanding graduating senior, GPA 3.5 or higher, who will be attending a 4-year college or university, shows leadership, participates in extracurricular activities, represents the "Warrior" way, essay (maximum 300 words) describing why you qualify as a W Club for Excellence Scholarship recipient and how you represent the "Warrior" way.



Vocal Music, Performing Arts & Theater Scholarships Selection made by Doran Johnson & Jeremy Stoll Journalism selection made by Journalism Department

- Jennifer Leigh Sayre Vocal Music Scholarship \$1,000 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who is active in Vocal Music at WHS, plans to attend a college or university with Vocal Music participation. Selected by Vocal Music Department.
- 2) Joseph and Marjorie Moore Performing Arts Award \$500 award for a Westside graduating senior, with at least two years of Westside High School Theater, time spent outside school in theater, strong teamwork skills, work ethic and a model behavior in class and production, brief essay about why they feel they deserve award. Selected by Drama, Theatre, Show Choir Dept.

- 3) **Westside Connection Scholarship** \$500 scholarship for a Westside graduating senior, who has shown leadership during show choir career. Selected by Music-Theatre Department.
- 4) **Mundy family Journalism Scholarship** \$5,000 scholarship for Westside graduating senior, awarded to a student staff member of the newspaper, who works on The Lance, for their exceptional contribution and potential. Selected by Journalism Department.