



2026 ISAC Scholarship Application

Criteria, Eligibility, and Process

- 1) Eligibility to apply is limited to children or dependents of current county officials or employees. This does not include city employees, employees of county extension offices, or individuals who are themselves county employees. Final eligibility will be determined by the ISAC Executive Director.
- 2) At least one \$1,000 scholarship shall be awarded annually.
- 3) The candidates must be seniors in high school.
- 4) This is a one-year scholarship and can be received only once by an individual.
- 5) The scholarship can be awarded to anyone who will be a full-time student of any accredited continuing education program (including, but not limited to community colleges, trade schools, and public or private colleges).
- 6) The scholarship monies will be paid directly to the college's financial aid office; one half is to be applied for the first semester, and the second half is to be applied for the second semester.
- 7) The candidates must provide personal reference statements from three individuals other than family members, complete an application, and participate in an interview.
- 8) The criteria used in awarding scholarships will be scholastic achievement, financial need, participation in extracurricular/community activities, and overall character.
- 9) The Scholarship Committee shall award all scholarships and the decision of the Selection Committee shall be final.
- 10) The Scholarship Committee shall consist of seven members, to be appointed by the ISAC President. The Selection Committee shall consist of one representative from each ISAC district, plus one member of the ISAC Board of Directors.
- 11) ISAC reserves the right to verify any information provided in any application.
- 12) Scholarships will be awarded at the ISAC Spring Conference in March.
- 13) Scholarship winners have two years to use their award. During those two years, they may apply to the Scholarship Committee for an extension of the time limit. The Scholarship Committee shall make a recommendation to the ISAC Board of Directors on whether to allow the extension of the time limit.
- 14) It is a requirement of the finalists for this scholarship to participate in an interview (early to mid February) with the Selection Committee or you may be disqualified for the award.
- 15) Applications must be submitted online at this URL: <https://forms.gle/MBPuNzLWNnmnSaP98>.
- 16) References and transcripts must be submitted via mail or email:
ISAC Education Foundation, 5500 Westown Parkway, Suite 190, West Des Moines, IA 50266-8202 or kcook@iowacounties.org.

Applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on November 30, 2025.