



ZONTA CLUB OF JEFFERSON CITY FOUNDATION

Second Chance Scholarship Criteria & Requirements

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Zonta Club of Jefferson City, a member of Zonta International, an international organization of executive women, has instituted a scholarship program to benefit females who desire to begin or continue a post-high school education or technical training program with the intent of acquiring the education and skills necessary to enter or advance their status in the workplace.

Scholarship recipients are chosen by the Club based on the following criteria:

- Must be female (24 years of age or older), who is from either Cole, Callaway, Miller, Moniteau, or Osage County
- Must be committed to the pursuit of a post-high school education and/or training
- Must verify financial inability to attain an education without the scholarship
- Must provide proof of a high school diploma or an equivalent
- Must submit recent transcripts from post-secondary schools.
- Must demonstrate personal discipline and perseverance
- Must submit a completed Zonta Club Scholarship Application and all requested documents prior to the deadline
- Must have been accepted into and use the scholarship at an accredited College or University Degree Program, Vocational or Technical Training Institution

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS & REQUIREMENTS

Scholarship recipients are awarded a monetary dollar amount of up to \$2,500 per semester and can renew the scholarship for a consecutive semester, if eligible. Scholarship funds shall be paid directly to the Financial Institution or School chosen by the recipient and disbursed solely for the purpose of paying expenses outlined in the recipient's scholarship application pertaining to a four-year (4) college or university degree, vocational or technical training program.

Scholarship recipients, while receiving funds, shall fulfill the following obligations or be subject to lose eligibility in the Scholarship Program:

- Must complete a minimum of 9 hours a semester (13-week period), unless prior club approval is authorized
- Must submit changes from one program to another in writing, for club approval
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.50 and submit a copy of grades to the club before receiving funds for the next semester or term
- Must be open to having their financial status reviewed
- Must report in writing the status of post high school education or training each semester
- Must be committed to allow the Club to videotape an interview between February – March and attend the Yellow Rose Luncheon in May, and be receptive to being contacted by Zonta members. Recipients are also encouraged to attend receptions recognizing recipients, if scheduled.
- Must be free of substance abuse

Each recipient shall be mentored by a member of the Zonta Club, who acts as a liaison between the recipient and the club.

For additional information, contact:

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