

BCSN Scholar Spotlight Scholarship 2023-2024 Program Information Sheet



The **BCSN Scholar Spotlight Scholarship** was established to recognize the achievements of graduating high school seniors residing in the Buckeye Broadband service area pursuing a degree at an accredited post-secondary institution. Scholarships can be used toward tuition, on-campus room & board, books and fees.

APPLICATION DEADLINES	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AWARD AMOUNTS
September 24, 2023	7 one-time, non-renewable awards	\$1,000 (one-time)
December 3, 2023	1 renewable award (<i>up to 4 years</i>)	\$2,500 (renewable)

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- 2. Must be a permanent resident of the Buckeye Broadband service area (see eligible zip codes list below).
- 3. Must be a high school senior graduating in spring of 2024 (see eligible schools list below).
- 4. Must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher.
- 5. Must be nominated by your high school counselor.
- Employees and dependents of employees of Buckeye Companies are not eligible to apply.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Greater Toledo Community Foundation may revise the criteria from year to year based on recommendations from the Scholarship Committee, Buckeye Broadband, and others. The Scholarship Committee reviews the eligible applications based on the following criteria in order of significance:

- 1. Scholastic Aptitude (Test Scores)
- 2. Academic Achievements
- 3. Financial Need (finalists will be required to complete a College Budget Form prior to the interview)
- 4. Individual Motivation, Ability & Potential
- 5. Extracurricular Activities
- 6. Community Service & Volunteer Involvement
- 7. Work Experience
- 8. College & Career Goals Essay
- 9. Recommendation Letters
- 10. Interview for 8 Scholar Scholastic Finalists

ELIGIBLE ZIP CODES

Applicants must reside in the Buckeye Broadband service area which consists of the following zip codes.

43460	43528	43551	43566	43605	43608	43612	43615	43619	48133	48177
43465	43537	43552	43571	43606	43609	43613	43616	43620	48144	48182
43504	43542	43560	43604	43607	43611	43614	43617	43623	48157	49267

ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS

The following high schools have been identified as eligible schools, but as long as an applicant is a permanent resident of the Buckeye Broadband service area, they are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

1) Anthony Wayne High School	14) Notre Dame Academy	27) Sylvania Northview High School
2) Bedford High School	15) Ohio Virtual Academy	28) Sylvania Southview High School
3) Bowsher High School	16) Ottawa Hills High School	29) The Bounty Collegium
4) Cardinal Stritch Catholic High School	17) Penta Career Center	30) Toledo Christian Schools
5) Central Catholic High School	18) Perrysburg High School	31) Toledo Early College
6) Clay High School	19) Rogers High School	32) Toledo Islamic Academy
7) Emmanuel Christian School	20) Rossford High School	33) Toledo School for the Arts
8) Jones Leadership Academy	21) Scott High School	34) Toledo Technology Academy
9) Mason Senior High School	22) Springfield High School	35) Waite High School
10) Maumee High School	23) Start High School	36) Westfield Achievement at Phoenix
11) Maumee Valley Country Day School	24) St. Francis de Sales High School	37) Whiteford High School
12) Monclova Christian Academy	25) St. John's Jesuit High School	38) Whitmer High School
13) Northwood High School	26) St. Ursula Academy	39) Woodward High School









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SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS & COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

- 1. The BCSN Scholar Spotlight Scholarship is administered by Greater Toledo Community Foundation (GTCF).
- 2. Please direct all questions to Cassandra Arnold, Scholarship Officer, at Scholarships@toledocf.org.
- 3. Throughout the school year, a total of 8 Scholar Spotlights will be selected by a Scholarship Committee.
 - a. 4 Scholar Spotlights will be selected in Round 1, and 4 Scholar Spotlights will be selected in Round 2.
- 4. Students can access the application through the online Scholarship Portal
 - a. Applicants are fully responsible for ensuring that all required documents are uploaded by the outlined deadlines which include your high school transcript, activities sheet and recommendation letters.
 - b. Applicants must complete the School Counselor Nomination section which sends a request to the school counselor so they can nominate 2 students for each deadline.
 - c. Applicants should submit their application at least 2-3 days prior to the deadlines.
- 5. High School Counselor Departments may nominate up to 2 applicants for consideration by each deadline.
 - a. The School Counselor Department Nomination section on the application must be completed by the deadline for a student to be considered during the review process.
 - b. In one calendar year, a School Counselor Department may nominate up to 4 applicants total.
 - c. If an applicant is not selected in Round 1, they must submit a new application to be considered in Round 2.
- 6. Each Scholar Spotlight Finalist will be:
 - a. Recognized on Buckeye Broadband channels for a 3-week period;
 - b. Awarded \$1,000.00 one-time, non-renewable scholarship;
 - c. Considered for the Scholar of the Year Scholarship (includes interview & College Budget Form); and
 - d. Invited to the BCSN Honors Event in June (Exact Date TBD)
- 7. In March, the 8 Scholar Spotlight Finalists will be interviewed, and 1 will be selected as the Scholar of the Year.
- 8. The Scholar of the Year Recipient will be:
 - a. Notified in mid-late April (Exact Date TBD)
 - b. Awarded a \$2,500.00 scholarship which is renewable for up to 3 additional years after the initial award, provided the recipient reapplies each year and meets the renewal requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP TIMELINE

August 28	Scholarship Applications Available Online – Round 1 (Scholar Spotlights 1-4)	
September 24	Application Deadline – Round 1 (Scholar Spotlights 1-4)	
Early October	Application Review & Selection – Round 1 (Scholar Spotlights 1-4)	
Mid-October	Decisions & Notifications - Round 1 (Scholar Spotlights 1-4)	
Late October through Mid-January	 Scholar Spotlight Recognition on Buckeye Broadband Channels – Round 1 Spotlight 1: Runs between October 23 – November 12 Spotlight 2: Runs between November 13 – December 3 Spotlight 3: Runs between December 4 – December 24 Spotlight 4: Runs between December 25 – January 14 	
Late October	Scholarship Applications Available Online – Round 2 (Scholar Spotlights 5-8)	
December 3	Application Deadline – Round 2 (Scholar Spotlights 5-8)	
December	Application Review & Selection – Round 2 (Scholar Spotlights 5-8)	
Early January	Decisions & Notifications - Round 2 (Scholar Spotlights 5-8)	
Mid-January through Mid-April	 Scholar Spotlight Recognition on Buckeye Broadband Channels – Round 2 Spotlight 5: Runs between January 15 – February 4 Spotlight 6: Runs between February 5 – February 25 Spotlight 7: Runs between February 26 – March 17 Spotlight 8: Runs between March 18 – April 14 	
March	Interviews for 8 Scholar Spotlight Finalists	
Mid-Late June	BCSN Honors Night	
Early July	Recipients Must Submit Follow Up Forms	
Late July	Scholarship Payments (Made directly to accredited post-secondary institution)	





