

Mark and Gretchen Zyndorf Scholarship

Program Information

The Mark and Gretchen Zyndorf Scholarship is available for graduating high school seniors residing in Northwest Ohio who have at least one parent incarcerated and are pursuing a degree at an accredited post-secondary institution. This scholarship is renewable for the duration of the undergraduate degree (typically 4 years), provided the applicant shows progress toward degree.

APPLICATION DEADLINE	AWARD AMOUNT	TOTAL TO BE AWARDED	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AWARD TYPE	RENEWAL TERMS
February 11	\$4,000	TBD	2-3	Renewal	Duration of undergraduate degree

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

Applications are first carefully reviewed by the Greater Toledo Community Foundation (GTCF) staff to verify their eligibility.

1. Must be a U.S. Citizen.
2. Must be a graduating high school senior residing in Northwest Ohio.
3. Must have at least one incarcerated parent at the time of application - *(Verified in the Follow Up forms)*
4. Must have a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA.
5. Must be planning to enroll at an accredited post-secondary institution.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Eligible applicants are reviewed by a Scholarship Advisory Committee (SAC) based on the following criteria, in order of significance.

1. Financial Need
2. Academic Achievements
3. Test Scores (Scholastic Aptitude)
4. Extracurricular Involvement
5. Community Service & Volunteer Involvement

Priority to graduating seniors of Toledo Public Schools.

SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS & TIMELINE

November	Application Available: Click here to apply on the Scholarship Portal
February 11	Application Deadline: Applicants are fully responsible for uploading required documents by the deadline.
March	Review Process: SAC reviews & evaluates applications.
April	Committee Meeting: SAC meets to discuss applicants & select recipients.
May 15	Decision Notifications: GTCF notifies applicants of the Committee's decisions (approval & denial).
July 8	Follow Up: Recipients must submit a Scholarship Recipient Form to verify enrollment at an accredited post-secondary institution prior to scholarship payment.
Late July	Payments: Scholarships are paid directly to post-secondary institution (never directly to student).