## Northwest Ohio Restaurant Association Scholarship Program Information

The Northwest Ohio Restaurant Association Scholarship is available for part-time or full-time students pursuing a certificate or degree in culinary, hospitality or related field at an accredited post-secondary institution with preference to schools located in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan. This scholarship is renewable for 3 additional years after the initial award (4 years total), provided the student meets the renewal conditions.

APPLICATION DEADLINE	AWARD	NUMBER	AWARD	RENEWAL
	AMOUNT	OF AWARDS	TYPE	TERMS
February 11	\$3,000	3-4	Renewal	3 additional years after initial award.

## **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 pursuing a certificate or degree in culinary, hospitality or related field.
- 3. Must be attending an accredited post-secondary institution (cannot be a for profit institution).

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

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

- 1. Academic Achievements
- 2. Test Scores (Scholastic Aptitude)
- 3. Financial Need
- 4. Work Experience (Specifically in the Northwest Ohio Restaurant/Food Service Industry)

Preference to students attending Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan schools.

Preference to student planning to establish a career in Northwest Ohio after graduation

## **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).		

