



# *Cherokee Sheriff's Foundation*

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*Dedicated to maintain and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Cherokee County through a partnership with the Cherokee Sheriff's Office.*

## ***Foundation Scholarship Program***

### **Cherokee Sheriff Office (CSO) and Cherokee Marshall's Office (CMO) Scholarship Eligibility**

Applicants must be:

1. Children of employees of the Cherokee Sheriff Office (CSO) and the Cherokee Marshall's Office (CMO)
2. Children of CSO or CMO who work for CSO or CMO as a full-time employee and have worked at least one year as of January 1 of the year of the award; and are employed with CSO or CMO on the date scholarships are awarded by the CSF Board of Directors
3. Children of a CSO or CMO by birth, adoption, or legal guardianship, or step-children, 24 years old or younger
4. Students who are high school seniors and graduating or are full-time college students
5. Scholarships are not available for students enrolled in graduate programs

### **Qualification Requirements for Schools**

The following schools are acceptable:

1. Accredited vocational institutions located in the U.S.
2. Accredited colleges or universities located in the U.S.
3. Correspondence schools are not eligible. (Including all online institutions and/or certificate programs)

### **Application Process**

Applicants must supply the names and addresses (letters of recommendation are not required) of two references, one academic and one non-academic, as part of the application process.

Current school transcripts must be provided. Please see the application for details.

1. Awards will be made once per year
2. All applications are due May 1st no exceptions
3. Review process will be between May 15-May 30
4. Awards will be made June 10<sup>th</sup>
5. Award letters will be mailed by June 30<sup>th</sup>
6. Information of scholar's institution must be received by July 10<sup>th</sup> with no deadline exceptions. School info provided to [vicki.benefield@ellijay.com](mailto:vicki.benefield@ellijay.com)
7. A check for the scholarship will be mailed to the scholar's institution by July 31<sup>st</sup>



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## Scoring

The scholarship is awarded based on:

1. Extra-curricular awards to include athletic accomplishments
2. Leadership
3. Awards/honors
4. Community service

**Activities, achievements, and honors should be listed thoroughly on the application.**

Applicants will receive an email from the Scholarship Selection Committee confirming receipt of their application. The CSF Scholarship Committee reviews and processes all applications using a **blind judging** method. (*The panel will view no names or personal information.*) The Board of Directors will approve final selections, and scholarships will be awarded one per year in September 1<sup>st</sup> based on funds available.

## Covered Costs

The scholarship award may be applied toward either a Baccalaureate (four-year) Degree or an Associate (two-year) Degree at an accredited college, university, or vocational institution located within the U.S. The scholarship can be applied to college affiliated and/or approved campus locations for room and board, books, and tuition. There are **no exclusions**. Funds will be issued to the qualifying institution.

## Financial Concerns

Contact your school's financial aid office to find out how this scholarship might affect your financial aid.

## Maximum

Applicants can receive only one scholarship per year, up to \$1,000. This maximum number of scholarships is the same even if both parents work for CSO.

*The Cherokee Sheriff's Foundation Scholarship Program is subject to periodic review and changes by the foundation. Awards are made without regard to race, creed, color, sex, religion, or national origin.*