

Whatcom Dollars for Scholars Available Scholarships 2021

Please note: this list is subject to change as new scholarships may be added

Scholarship Name	Scholarship Description
Anvil Engineering & Science	<p>Selection criteria utilized in determining the recipient of the Anvil Engineering & Science Scholarship shall be as follows:</p> <p>A graduate of any Bellingham high School (Bellingham, Squalicum, Sehome or Options) Planning to study science and/or engineering</p>
AVID Shuksan Alumni	The AVID Shuksan Alumni Scholarship provides scholarships to former Shuksan Middle School students who participated in AVID and are graduating from any Bellingham School District high school with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater.
Bellingham Scholarship Fund	Created by donations from Bellingham School District Staff, this scholarship supports Bellingham School District graduating seniors. Financial need considered.
Bellingham Teacher's Union 1	This scholarship supports students from each of Bellingham School District's four high schools. Students from Bellingham, Sehome and Squalicum must be planning to pursue a career in education. Preference also given to students with diversity.
Bellingham Teacher's Union 2	This scholarship supports students from each of Bellingham School District's four high schools. At Options, preference is given to students planning to pursue a career in education.
Brett Allsop Memorial	The Brett Allsop Memorial supports students planning to attend any post-high school education, who graduate with a 3.5 GPA or better, demonstrating ability in math, science or technology as well as entrepreneurial and creative ability; planning to study business or science. High school sports participation and financial need considered.
Commander Pete Oswald Scholarship	The Commander Pete Oswald Scholarship is a renewable award that supports Bellingham School District graduates intending to pursue a career in the military, law enforcement or firefighting, who maintain a high GPA and demonstrate strong leadership ability. In order to meet the renewal criteria, the recipient must maintain their intent to pursue a career in the military, law enforcement or firefighting and must maintain a high GPA.
D C Morse, Jr. and Jan Marchbanks Scholarship	To recognize and reward a student graduating from high school in the Bellingham Public School System who aspires to earn a two year career oriented degree. Applicant must be a student graduating from high school in the Bellingham Public School System and graduating with a 1.8 to 3.2 gpa (on a 4.0 scale). Applicant must be planning to pursue a degree from an accredited public two year school of higher learning. The degree must be in a career path field of study leading to job opportunities at the end of the two year course of study, such as medical technician, construction trade, computer technician, or other vocational field of study. Financial need will be considered. Also considered will be citizenship, which includes attendance, respect student shows for other students and school staff, and respect shown to the student by classmates and staff.

Daniel Bartle Memorial Scholarship	Supports graduating seniors from Ferndale High School who exemplify Daniel's character traits. Financial need considered.
Dave Nelson Memorial Foundation Scholarship	The Dave Nelson Memorial Foundation Scholarship supports graduating seniors from Bellingham, Sehome, Squalicum or Options High School with a GPA of 3.0 or better, planning to attend a 2 yr. Community College or a 4 yr. University. Recipient must have an immediate family member currently serving or who has served in the military. Financial need considered.
Don & Ellen Easterbrook Scholarship	The Don & Ellen Easterbrook Scholarship provides three renewable scholarships. One scholarship for one graduating senior from each of the following high schools: Bellingham, Sehome and Squalicum, who plans to pursue a 2 or 4yr. degree has a GPA of 3.5 or better, is planning to study Biology, Computer Science, Earth Sciences/Geology, Chemistry/Physics, Engineering or Mathematics.
Fairhaven Alumni Scholarship	To provide scholarships to former Fairhaven Middle School students, graduating from any Bellingham School District High School to attend any post-high school institution. Priority given to students who attended Fairhaven Middle School all three years.
Ferndale Scholarship Fund	Supports graduating seniors from Ferndale High School.
GRADS/ Teen Parent Scholarship	Supports students who are enrolled in the GRADS Program or teen parents who are graduating seniors from any Whatcom County high school. Minimum GPA of 2.0, financial need required.
Haggen Food & Pharmacy	The Haggen Food & Pharmacy Scholarship provides scholarships to graduates of Bellingham's high schools planning to attend Western Washington University, Whatcom Community College or Bellingham Technical College.
Hannah Dashiell Memorial Scholarship	The Hannah Dashiell Memorial Scholarship provides scholarships to a female graduate of a Whatcom County High School pursuing any post-secondary with a 3.0 or better GPA planning to study Health & Medicine. Financial need considered: targeted at moderate need.
Heather Marie Engels Memorial	Selection criteria utilized in determining the recipient of the Heather Marie Engels Memorial shall be as follows: A deserving student from a single parent home A graduate of Bellingham High School Attending any post secondary school Financial need considered
HCAA - Whatcom County Founders Fund Scholarship	The HCAA - Whatcom County Founders Fund Scholarship provides scholarships to graduating Whatcom County high school seniors who are experiencing hearing loss to attend any post secondary school. GPA 2.0 minimum.

Jan Marchbanks and D C Morse, Jr. Scholarship	To recognize and reward a student graduating from high school in the Ferndale Public School System who aspires to earn a two year career oriented degree. Applicant must be a student graduating from high school in the Ferndale Public School System and graduating with a 1.8 to 3.2 gpa (on a 4.0 scale). Applicant must be planning to pursue a degree from an accredited public two year school of higher learning. The degree must be in a career path field of study leading to job opportunities at the end of the two year course of study, such as medical technician, construction trade, computer technician, or other vocational field of study. Financial need will be considered. Also considered will be citizenship, which includes attendance, respect student shows for other students and school staff, and respect shown to the student by classmates and staff.
Joan Beardsley Memorial	The Joan Beardsley Memorial Scholarship provides scholarships to female graduates from Bellingham School District, planning to major in science or mathematics at a four-year college.
John & Helen Warden Memorial Music	The John & Helen Warden Memorial Music Scholarship provides scholarships for students who are graduating from Bellingham School District, and are planning to major in music education (preferably instrumental music) at a 4-year university/college. GPA and financial need considered.
Joseph G. & Michael D. Hansen Scholarship	To provide scholarships to former Fairhaven Middle School students, graduating from any Bellingham School District High School to attend any post-high school institution and planning to study engineering, math, or technology.
Larry G. Kinley Leadership Scholarship	Scholarship to benefit a Native American student enrolled in Tribal Registry of one of the following tribes: Lummi Nation, Nooksack Tribe, Tulalip Tribes of Washington, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, Puyallup Tribe of Indians, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Quinault Indian Nation, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Twenty-Nine Band of Mission Indians, Aqua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, Barona Band of Mission Indians, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, Pala Band of Mission Indians, Salt River-Maricopa Indian Community, Seminole Tribe of Florida. Successful applicants will demonstrate leadership qualities & character. Financial need considered. Academic achievement considered with emphasis on un-realized potential. To attend any accredited post-secondary institution.
LaVelle A "Vel" West	The LaVelle A "Vel" West Scholarship provides scholarships to Bellingham High School graduates. Financial need considered.
Lori Poad Memorial	The Lori Poad Memorial Scholarship provides scholarships for students planning to major in a math-related field (math instruction/education, architecture, construction, engineering, etc.) who attended Shuksan Middle School and graduated from a Bellingham School District high school with a GPA of 3.3 or better.
Lynn Heimsoth Memorial Scholarship	Supports first generation student scholarships for graduating Seniors in the Bellingham School District to attend a four year university.

Macpherson Music & Math	<p>Selection criteria utilized in determining the recipient of the award shall be as follows:</p> <p>A graduate of Squalicum or Sehome, (alternating each year)Sehome for 2020.</p> <p>Demonstrates above ordinary interest in math or music</p> <p>GPA of 3.8 or better</p>
Margie Freeman Memorial Scholarship	The Margie Freeman Memorial Scholarship supports graduates of Bellingham High School to attend any 4 year college or university
Mary L. Seilo Memorial Scholarship	The Mary L. Seilo Memorial Scholarship supports Ferndale High School graduating seniors. Financial need considered.
Maureen Boekenoogen Scholarship	The Maureen Boekenoogen Scholarship supports female seniors graduating from Ferndale School District.
McCourt Family Scholarship	Supports graduating seniors from Ferndale High School.
McEvoy Family Scholarship for Ferndale	Supports a graduating senior from Ferndale High School.
Nicholas Moothart Scholarship	Supports motivated, graduating seniors from Bellingham High School who can demonstrate that they are a hard worker. Preference is given to students planning to study Engineering or Visual Arts and Design. 3.0 GPA, Financial need considered.
Options Scholarship	Supports annual scholarships for deserving Options High School graduates.
PEO, Chapter BQ Ferndale Scholarship	The PEO, Chapter BQ Ferndale Scholarship supports female seniors graduating from Ferndale School District.
Random Acts of Kindness	Random Acts of Kindness Scholarship supports graduating seniors from Whatcom County. Preference given to immigrant students.
Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation Mike Mischaikow Scholarship	<p>The Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation Mike Mischaikow Scholarship seeks to recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree from an accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university.</p> <p>Applicant must be planning to pursue a degree from an accredited institution of higher learning. One or both parents of applicant must have been born in a foreign country.</p> <p>The Rotary Club of Bellingham encourages its members to provide mentoring opportunities for scholarship recipients during and after a recipient's post secondary education. The Club will attempt to match students and mentors upon request.</p> <p>Recipients are encouraged to visit one or more Rotary Club of Bellingham meetings in order to meet individual Club members. The Club may also request that a recipient attend a Club meeting.</p>

Rotary Club of Bellingham
Foundation Most Improved
Student

Please note, this award is given to 3 applicants, one award considers financial need and is renewable, the other two awards are not renewable.

To recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who has dramatically improved his/her academic performance during applicant's four years of secondary education; and to assist and encourage that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.

A condition of the scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.

Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting.

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Rotary Club of Bellingham
Foundation Scholarship Award
for Outstanding Academic
Achievement

Please note, this award is given to 2 applicants, one award considers financial need and is renewable, the other is awarded with consideration of participation in extra-curricular activities and is not renewable.

To recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who has demonstrated proven high academic achievement during applicant's four years of secondary education; and to assist and encourage that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.

A condition of the scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.

Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting.

The Rotary Club of Bellingham encourages its members to provide mentoring opportunities for scholarship recipients during and after a recipient's post-secondary education. The Club will attempt to match students and mentors upon request. Scholarship recipients may be required to attend and/or speak at a meeting.

Rotary Club of Bellingham
Foundation Scholarship Best
Overall Student

This scholarship recognizes and rewards a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who has a record of excellence in academic achievement and also in extra curricular activities; and assists and encourages that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.

A condition of the scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.

Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting.

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<p>Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation Vocational Excellence #1</p>	<p>To recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who desires to study and subsequently work in an occupation that requires technical training; and to assist and encourage that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.</p> <p>A condition of this scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.</p> <p>Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting. The Rotary Club of Bellingham encourages its members to provide mentoring opportunities for scholarship recipients during and after a recipient's post secondary education. The Club will attempt to match students and mentors upon request. Scholarship Recipients may be asked to attend and/or speak at a Club meeting.</p>
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<p>Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation Vocational Excellence #2</p>	<p>To recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who desires to study and subsequently work in an occupation that requires technical training; and to assist and encourage that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.</p> <p>A condition of this scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.</p> <p>Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting. The Rotary Club of Bellingham encourages its members to provide mentoring opportunities for scholarship recipients during and after a recipient's post secondary education. The Club will attempt to match students and mentors upon request. Scholarship Recipients may be asked to attend and/or speak at a Club meeting.</p>
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<p>Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation Vocational Excellence #3</p>	<p>To recognize and reward a student graduating from a public, private, parochial, or tribal high school in Whatcom County who aspires to earn a post secondary educational degree and who desires to study and subsequently work in an occupation that requires technical training; and to assist and encourage that student to pursue a degree from an institution of higher learning.</p> <p>A condition of this scholarship is for the recipient to write the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation a first letter describing the student's educational experience at the conclusion of the year of study funded by this scholarship; and a second letter describing educational and occupational status five years after award of this scholarship.</p> <p>Students please note: choosing to apply for this scholarship also means that you authorize Whatcom Community Foundation to share your contact information with The Rotary Club Foundation for the purpose of inviting you to attend a club meeting. The Rotary Club of Bellingham encourages its members to provide mentoring opportunities for scholarship recipients during and after a recipient's post secondary education. The Club will attempt to match students and mentors upon request. Scholarship Recipients may be asked to attend and/or speak at a Club meeting. The recipient of this scholarship may apply for a second year of support by writing a letter of application and providing evidence of satisfactory progress towards a degree during the first year of study with this scholarship.</p>
<p>Robyn J du Pre Memorial Scholarship</p>	<p>Robyn's friends and loved ones are honoring Robyn by establishing a scholarship for Bellingham School District graduating seniors pursuing a bachelor's degree in environmental studies. GPA 2.5 or higher, financial need considered.</p>
<p>The Farris Family Scholarship</p>	<p>The Farris Family Scholarship supports motivated students who have been in foster care or who come from challenging circumstances as confirmed by a school counselor and who demonstrate financial need.</p>
<p>The Kimberley Family Character Award</p>	<p>The Kimberley Family Character Award Scholarship supports Bellingham School District students planning to attend any post-high school education who demonstrate exemplary character and integrity. 2.5 GPA minimum, Financial need considered.</p>
<p>Thomas & Martina Horn Foundation</p>	<p>Selection criteria utilized by the Bellingham Scholarship Fund Awards Committee in determining the recipient of the award shall be as follows:</p> <p>Senior graduate of Bellingham High School, Sehome High School or Squalicum High School</p> <p>For post-secondary education</p> <p>Students with financial need (families with less than \$50,000 annual income)</p> <p>Student must submit a statement regarding how he/she plans to contribute to the community in the future.</p>
<p>Vicky Marshall Memorial Scholarship</p>	<p>Supporting graduating seniors from any of the four high schools in Bellingham School District planning on attending any public or private not-for-profit post-secondary school.</p> <p>Financial need may be considered.</p>

W. Ingram Family	The W. Ingram Family Scholarship provides scholarships for graduates of Bellingham High School, who have participated in varsity sports and are in the top 10% of their class, to attend an out-of-state liberal arts or science-oriented program.
Wes Martinsen Memorial Scholarship	Supports graduating seniors from Ferndale High School.
Women Sharing Hope	The Women Sharing Hope Scholarship provides scholarships to graduating seniors from any Bellingham high school with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater and with plans to attend either a technical, community or 4-yr university/college after high school (must demonstrate financial need and be a student of a single parent.)