



We award scholarships to high school seniors from Storm Lake Public and Storm Lake St. Mary's who plan to further their education at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university or an accredited vocational-technical school. Our scholarships are awarded based on merit.

Any graduating senior may apply; Storm Lake Charter School students who plan to further their education may apply when they have completed their Charter School program.

This packet will help you complete our **online** application form.

Read more about our program and our scholarships at our website:

[www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org)

Questions? Email [sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com](mailto:sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com)  
Please put "Student Profile/Application" in the subject line.

***The online application form will be open  
from mid-December to early February.***  
**You WILL NOT be able to apply for scholarships after February 5, 2020.**

Please read these pages carefully. You must complete ALL steps as outlined to be considered a candidate for a scholarship(s).

There are three sections to these instructions:

Getting Started

This is where you set up your account.

Part A- My Information

This is where you enter your personal information.

Part B- My Scholarships

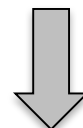
This is where you apply for scholarships that you're eligible for. Some scholarships require a short essay response before the application can be submitted.

Our scholarships are awarded based on merit and consider the **total person**. Your online application form will be scored by the computer system and will be awarded up to 240 points as follows:

80 points	<u>Personal Data</u> : Work Experience, Activities, Leadership Contributions, Education/Career Objective, Unusual Circumstances
40 points	<u>Applicant Appraisal</u> : An evaluation by someone who knows you well
80 points	<u>Scholastic Performance</u> : Your Grade Point Average
40 points	<u>Scholastic Aptitude</u> : Your ACT score

# Getting Started

Go to website ([www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org)) and click on the **Students & Parents** tab



Click to Login

Click here to set up your account.

Enter *School Name, City, State, Zip* data. Select school.

Complete all \*\* information.


Note for *School District* field: All students should enter *Storm Lake Comm School District*.

*Current Grade Level* should be Senior in High School

*Year Graduated/Expected Graduation from High School* should be 2021.

**Step 2: Fill Out Your Basic Information**

Please complete the following fields and check the box at the bottom of the page to agree to our terms and conditions. All items with a double star (\*\*) are required before the form can be submitted. Please use a non-school email address. Click on the grey ? Support button on the bottom left side of the screen to submit a help ticket to us with the details of your issue/question.

** Legal First Name ?	<input type="text"/>
** Legal Last Name ?	<input type="text"/>
** Primary State or Province	-- Select --
** Primary Address Line 1 ?	<input type="text"/>
Primary Address Line 2	<input type="text"/>
Primary Apartment	<input type="text"/>
** Primary City ?	<input type="text"/> Search
** Primary County	-- Select --
** ZIP or Postal Code	<input type="text"/>
** Which school district do you reside in? ?	<input type="text"/> Search
** Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)	<input type="text"/> 
** Email Address ?	<input type="text"/>
** Confirm Email Address	<input type="text"/>
** Primary Phone Number	###-###-####
Primary Phone Text Capable - check box	<input type="checkbox"/>
** Opt in for Text Messages from local Chapter, Primary Phone? ?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
** Current Grade Level	-- Select --
** Year Graduated/ Expected Graduation from High School	-- Select --
** Race ?	-- Select --
** Ethnicity	-- Select --

Senior in High School

2021

Check your email for Login information (the email is from Scholarship America) and follow the directions for setting up your password. The email should be sent immediately; check your SPAM folder if you don't see it in your Inbox.

Write your Login information down in a safe place.

— **Login** to the system again. You will be taken to your specific Dashboard. Take note of the different sections but especially: **My Information** and **My Scholarships**.

— Click the **Click Here** button in the My Information section to begin working on your profile. You should see your **Basic Info**. The instructions that follow will help you enter information needed to apply for the Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars scholarships.

Note: You can **Logout** (top right corner) at any time. To revisit your Profile and continue entering data, go to [www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org) and login at **Students & Parents**

Note: When entering data, pay attention to the fields marked \* or \*\* as directed in the instructions that follow.

My Information
<p>Your profile is 80% complete.</p> <div><div></div></div>
<p>You still have an incomplete profile. You will reach 100% complete when all the starred (*) items in each section are complete, however you may still apply for scholarships with less than 100% complete. If you do not complete your profile, you may not qualify for all scholarships. To work on your profile, <a href="#">Click here</a></p> <p>To have a complete profile, the following supplementary information may be required. Request this information by going to the appropriate section of your profile. Current status of these pieces are:</p> <p><u>Transcript Information</u> from Counselor: <b>Requested</b> <u>Recommendation</u> from Counselor or other Reference: <b>Not started</b> <u>Consent</u> from Parent or Guardian: <b>Over 18; consent not required</b></p>
My Scholarships
<p>•To search and submit to scholarships or accept scholarships you've been awarded <a href="#">Click Here</a></p> <p>Check this section often, as scholarships open and close all the time. When new scholarships open for which you qualify, they will automatically populate this area. We recommend you check back weekly so that you do not miss any new opportunities.</p>

Questions? Email [sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com](mailto:sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com)

Please put "Student Profile/Application" in the subject line.

OR

Click the **Support** tab at the side of the screen and send your question to ChapterNet support staff at Scholarship America.

# Part A: My Information

## Basic Information Page

Click **Enter Basic Information**.

Complete all \*\* information.

Note: We do NOT require a photo.

**My Information**

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**My Scholarships**

**My Opportunities**

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**My Resources**

You must complete all the double starred (\*\*) items in order to submit the form and you must complete all of the single starred (\*) items to move your progress towards 100%. All other items are helpful in matching to scholarships, but optional.

[Click here](#) to change your email address.

\*\* Legal Last Name

student1

\*\* Legal First Name

test

Middle Name

Middle Name 2

Salutation

-- Select --

Suffix

Preferred Name/ Nickname

\*\* Country

USA

\*\* Primary State or Province

Iowa

\*\* Primary Address Line 1

123 Test Address

Primary Address Line 2

Primary Apartment

\*\* Primary County

BUENA VISTA

\*\* Primary City

Search Unselect

Primary City (if not found in above list)

STORM LAKE

\*\* ZIP or Postal Code

50568

\*\* Which school district do you reside in?

Search Unselect

Time at Current Address

4 years

\* Email Address

ts1@saveourdepot.com

\*\* Primary Phone Number

712-555-5555

Primary Phone Text Capable - check box

☐

Alternate Phone Number

Alternate Phone Text Capable - check box

☐

Fax Number

Other Messaging Address

Other Messaging Address Type

\* Preferred Contact Method

Email

\*\* How did you find us?

Guidance counselor/school advisor

Photo

No file is currently uploaded.  
Upload File

Picture is not required.

## Additional Information Page

You should see *Birthdate*, *Ethnicity*, *Race* from your initial get-started entry process.

Complete all \*\* information and as much \* information as you can but especially this field: *First Generation to Attend College?*

You do not need to complete the "Other Information" section.

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Hide

Demographics

\*\* Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)

01/01/1996

\*\* Sex Assigned at Birth

Prefer not to answer

\*\* Ethnicity

Non-hispanic

\*\* Race

Caucasian

\* Citizenship Status

United States Citizen

\* Citizenship Country

Search Deselect

United States

\* First Generation to Attend College?

No

\* Highest Level of Education Completed

Some High School

\* Have you been subjected to any school or legal disciplinary action?

No

\* Primary Language

English

\* Primary Language Spoken at Home

English

\*\* Are you eligible for a free/reduced lunch program?

Yes No

Hide

Other Information

Gender Identity

-- Select --

Disabled?

-- Select --

Are you a descendant of a veteran?

-- Select --

Veteran?

-- Select --

Child of POW or MIA military service member?

-- Select --

Prisoner of War?

-- Select --



## Schools Page

You should see *High School You Expect to Graduate From* information from the initial get-started entry process.

— Complete all \*\* information.

Charter School students should mark *Senior in HS*

***Year Graduated:*** Charter School students should mark *2021*

— Complete as much \* information as you can but especially the *Intended Major* fields. Scholarships you are eligible to apply for will be sorted based on your Intended Major selections (i.e.: Only education-specific scholarships will be available to students intending to major in education.)

**My Information - Schools**

You must complete all the double starred (\*\*) items in order to submit the form and you must complete all of the single starred (\*) items to move your profile. Other items are helpful in matching to scholarships, but optional.

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**Grade Level**

\*\* Current Grade Level: Senior in High School

**High School Information**

\*\* Year Graduated/ Expected Graduation from High School: 2021

\*\* High school you graduated from/expect to graduate from/last attended: STORM LAKE HIGH SCHOOL - STORM LAKE, Iowa

I received my GED

**College Information**

\* Intended College 1: Buena Vista University - Storm Lake

\* Intended College App Status 1: Not yet applied

Intended College 2: Select

Intended College App Status 2: -- Select --

Intended College 3: Select

Intended College App Status 3: -- Select --

\* What type of post-secondary institution (if any) are you attending/plan to attend? Four-Year College

\* Anticipated Year Graduation from College: 2022

\* Intended/Current Major 1: Education, General

Intended/Current Major 2: Select

Intended/Current Major 3: Select

\* Anticipated Degree Type: Bachelors

\* Student will be enrolled: Full Time

\* Student Will Live: On Campus

\* College you are currently attending: Select

\* College Application Status: -- Select --

School Start Date

College Student ID

Have you attended other colleges? -- Select --

**Callouts:**

- Charter students also select Senior
- All students mark 2021
- Select ANY possible major you may be considering. These selections affect available major-specific scholarships

## GPA Page

— For *GPA Information Available*, select: *I have high school GPA information only*. Do NOT check the statement “My school uses weighted GPAs.”

— Enter your *Cumulative HS GPA* as of 12/31/2020. This is the **ONLY** GPA needed. Your guidance counselor will be asked to verify your cumulative GPA, based on a 4.0 scale.

Note: If you have a GPA over 4.0, you'll still enter 4.0.

**GPA**

If your school used the same GPA scale for all grade levels, check the box that says “My school used the same GPA scale for all grade levels.”

\*\* GPA information available: I have high school GPA information only

My school uses weighted GPAs: ☐

My school used the same GPA scale for all grade levels: ☒

GPA Scale: [ ]

Grade 9 GPA: [ ]

Grade 10 GPA: [ ]

Grade 11 GPA: [ ]

Grade 12 GPA: [ ]

\*\* Cumulative HS GPA: 3.00

\*\* Cumulative HS GPA Scale: 4.00

Converted Cumulative HS GPA: 3.00

**Callouts:**

- Only enter cumulative GPA

## Class Rank Page

Select YES and Percentile. Enter your individual ranking. The SLHS class size is 200. St Mary's class size is 9.

**My Information - Class Rank**

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Test Scores

You must complete all the double starred (\*\*) items in order to submit the form and you must complete all of the single starred (\*) items to move your progress towards 100%. All other items are helpful in matching to scholarships, but optional.

\* Does your school rank students?

Yes

\* What system does your school use? ?

Percentile

Ranking System If Other

\* Class Rank (Percentile) ?

85

%

\* Class Size

175

Save and Continue

Save and Go To Dashboard

## Test Scores Page

When you have an ACT composite score to enter, click **Enter Test Information**.

— Complete \*\* information for *ACT Composite* scores ONLY.

Note: ACT Composite scores are used when scoring this scholarship application. If you do not enter a test score, you will be hurting your odds of earning a scholarship.

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Click the "Enter Test Information" button to complete this section. If you do not have any test scores to enter, you will have the opportunity to indicate that. Please enter all test scores you want to be reviewed for scholarships. Make sure to include all of your SAT or ACT scores, as it may affect your eligibility for scholarships.

\* Test Name

Score Date

\* Score

ACT Composite

25

view

edit

delete

Add another test

Save and Continue

Save and Go To Dashboard



# Activities Page

Click **Enter Activities Information**.

Click **Add Another Activity**.

Complete all \* information for each activity.

Activities should include all school AND community/volunteer activities you participated in anytime in the last 4 years.

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Click the "Enter Activities Information" button to complete this section. Please list all school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years (e.g. student government, music, sports, etc.) as well as all community activities in which you have participated without pay during the past 4 years (e.g., Red Cross, church work, etc.). **Make sure to include all of your activities, as it may affect your eligibility for scholarships.**

Add another activity

I have entered all my activities

* Activity Name	* Activity Type	
High School Musical	Music/Theater/Arts/Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Jazz Band	Music/Theater/Arts/Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Basketball	Athletic Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Tennis	Athletic Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Cross Country	Athletic Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Baseball	Athletic Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
All State Tryout	Music/Theater/Arts/Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Drumline	Music/Theater/Arts/Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Youth Group	Church/Religious Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Honor Society	Clubs and Organizations	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
KBVU	Community Service Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Piano	Community Service Activities	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
DECA	Clubs and Organizations	<a href="#">view</a> <a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>

You must complete all the double starred (\*\*) items in order to submit the form and you must complete all of the single starred (\*) items to move your progress towards 100%. All other items are helpful in matching to scholarships, but optional.

\*\* Activity Name

\*\* Activity Type

\*\* Activity

\*\* Number of Years

\*\* Total hours spent on this activity per year

Activity Description

Activity Organization Name

Activity Organization Address

Activity Start Date

Activity End Date if applicable

How many hours of this activity were necessary for Graduation?

High School Musical

Music/Theater/Arts/Activities

Play/drama productions (musicals, one-act plays, etc.)

1

45

Participated in a minor role during our school's spring production of "Hello Dolly!"

03/09/2015

05/08/2015

0

Please read Note 1 and Note 2 below.

Hide

Awards, Honors, Offices

Please enter all awards, honors, or offices you've received for this activity.

Type

Description

Year

Add New

Delete

**Note 1:** An Activity is NOT a class but a class can include an activity if you've participated in it as an extra part of the class. For example, Choir is NOT an activity but HS Musical, trying out for All State or participating in the Solo/Ensemble Contest IS an activity. Band (Concert, Marching) is NOT an activity but Jazz Band, Pep Band, trying out for All State and Honor Bands, or participating in the Solo/Ensemble Contest IS an activity. Three more examples: DECA is an activity ONLY if the student advances to the National Competition, however, if the student is involved in DECA a second year--independent of the Marketing class--it IS an activity. AVID is a class; it is NOT an activity. If you get a grade based on your participation, it is NOT an activity.

**Note 2:** In **Activity Description**, please type *This was a one- or two-time event* for any community-service activity that is NOT an ongoing activity or something you participated in as part of a class requirement. (Examples might include: blood donor, adopt-a-highway, adopt-a-family, tornado/flood cleanup, can cage, phone-a-thon, meals-on-wheels, Santa's Workshop, Just Feed One)

Enter *Offices, Awards, or Honors* earned.

Note: We define award in this way: specific or special recognition given to a student for his or her outstanding achievements in a classroom or extra-curricular school or community activity by a coach, teacher, adult leader and/or peers. This includes earning a "letter" in a school activity. We define honor in this way: specific or special recognition given to a student for his or her outstanding efforts in a classroom or extra-curricular school or community activity by a coach, teacher, adult leader and/or peers.

## Awards Page

**Not Required** by Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars.

## Employment Page

Click **Enter Employment Information**.

\_\_\_\_ Complete all \* \*information.

Note: Create separate entries for summer employment and school-year employment.

**My Information**

Click the "Enter Employment Information" button to complete this section. Please list all employment for which you were paid during the past 4 years. Make sure to include all of your jobs, as it may affect your eligibility for scholarships.

[Add another Employment](#)

* Employer	Position	* Hours Per Week			
Fareway	Clerk	15.00	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">edit</a>	<a href="#">delete</a>
Self Employed	Lawn Services	5.00	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">edit</a>	<a href="#">delete</a>
Church	Musician	2.00	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">edit</a>	<a href="#">delete</a>

[Save and Continue](#) [Save and Go To Dashboard](#)

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## Documents Page

**Not Required** by Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars.

## Parents/Guardian Info

Click **Edit Parent Information** or **I choose to not include my parental information**

\_\_\_\_ Complete all \* \* information.

**My Information - Parent/Guardian Info**

**My Information**

You have indicated you do not want to enter parent information. You can still enter parent information at any time if you choose.

People over the age of 16 do not require parental consent to complete the scholarship process. However, Scholarship America still wants to share good financial aid information with parents, when necessary. Please complete the following information.

Consent Status: Over 16; consent not required

* * Primary Parent First Name	<input type="text"/>
* * Primary Parent Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Relation	<input type="text"/>
* * Primary Parent Phone Number	<input type="text"/>
* * Primary Parent Email Address	<input type="text"/>

[Save and Continue](#) [Save and Go To Dashboard](#) [I choose not to include my parental information](#)

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- Financial Info

## Financial Information Page

Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars does *not* award scholarships based on financial need so we do NOT require that you complete the financial information page.

## Essays Page

### *Goals and Aspirations Essay:*

Make a statement of your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and future goals.

Please do NOT include your name in this information. Your statement should show a plan of progressive steps for your future, writing about each step as clearly as possible and with as many details as possible.

Information that could be included in these steps: college major or emphasis of study, post-graduate plans, plans for employment or re-location after graduation, and plans for business ownership or sharing of skills in community.

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Goals Essay

**Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars** requests you complete the Goals and Aspirations Essay. Check your local Dollars for Scholars chapter instructions found in the "Students & Parents" section of their website to confirm length requirements. If no instructions are provided, there is no length requirement.

Please describe your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and future goals.

Save and Continue Save and Go To Dashboard

### *Enter Unusual Circumstances Essay:*

Please report any unusual family or personal circumstances you feel warrant the attention of the Awards Committee. Unusual circumstances include: illness of self or family member, chronic medical condition or life-threatening illness, physical or learning disability, recent tragedy, divorce, recent refugee or immigrant, and major financial difficulty in family. Points are also awarded for short explanations of how you were affected by the unusual circumstance and how you overcame this adversity. Please do NOT include your name in this information.

Note: Enter *N/A* if this section is not applicable to your application.

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Goals Essay

Unusual Circumstances Essay

**Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars** requests you complete the Unusual Circumstances Essay. Check your local Dollars for Scholars chapter instructions found in the "Students & Parents" section of their website to confirm length requirements. If no instructions are provided, there is no length requirement.

Please describe how and when any unusual family or personal circumstances have affected your achievement in school, work experience, or your participation in school and community activities.

Save and Continue Save and Go To Dashboard

Please spellcheck, proofread and grammar check your work. Responses to these essays CAN be copied and pasted from a Word document if you need the spellcheck feature!

# References/Transcript Page

Click **Add School Official Information**.

— Complete all \*\* information using the guidance counselor contact information below...

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Transcripts

**Transcript Request**

*Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars* request(s) you provide transcripts.

Scholarships require the submission of a school transcript or at least verification by a school official. For High School transcripts, enter the name and contact information of the school official who verifies your academic record, such as a guidance counselor or registrar. Once you are finished, press the "Request Transcript Information" button to request a transcript.

Transcript Information from school official: Not started

Add School Official Information

Please note: If you want to include additional transcripts from previous schools, please upload them to the Documents section. Check with your local Dollars for Scholars to see if unofficial transcripts are acceptable.

Save and Continue

Save and Go To Dashboard

Send email to your appropriate guidance counselor:  
Ms. Jodi Theisen [jtheisen@slcsd.org](mailto:jtheisen@slcsd.org) 712.732.8065  
Ms. Sandy Mouw [smouw@slcsd.org](mailto:smouw@slcsd.org) 712.732.8065  
Mrs. Brittany Hill [bhill@slcsd.org](mailto:bhill@slcsd.org) 712.732.8065  
Mrs. Connie Smith  
[csmith@stmarys-storm.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:csmith@stmarys-storm.pvt.k12.ia.us) 712.732.4590

\*\* School Official First Name

\*\* School Official Last Name

\*\* School Official Email Address

\*\* School Official Phone Number

Save and Request Transcript Information

Cancel

Click **Save and Request Transcript Information**.

Click **Add Reference Information**.

— Complete all \*\* information. Please select a teacher, guidance counselor, or someone associated with your life who can vouch for your character. Do not select a family member or other relative.

Click **Save and Request Appraisal**.

— Complete the last page of this packet – Instructions for Completing Applicant Appraisal – and give it to the person you selected to be your reference.

— Click **Save and Go to Dashboard**.

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**Reference Request**

*Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars* requests you provide references.

Scholarships require the submission of a recommendation. Make sure you follow any instructions provided by your local Dollars for Scholars affiliate. Please enter the name and contact information of your selected reference. Once you are finished, press the "Request Recommendation" button to request a recommendation be completed.

Recommendation from Reference: Not started

Add Reference Information

Save and Look for Scholarships

Save and Go To Dashboard

Look at **My Information** section.

*Your profile is xx% complete* message: If you've worked through every instruction so far, you've completed the information required by Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars. Entering additional data (marked \*) will move your percentages closer to 100% and may make you eligible for other state and national scholarships awarded by Scholarship America. We encourage you to complete Part B of these instructions first so you're sure to be considered for our local scholarships.

*Financial Information, Transcript Information, and Recommendation:* You'll see the words "Not Started" or "Requested" or "Complete." Keep in touch with your counselor and the individual you asked for a recommendation until you see that both have been completed.

Note these sections: **My Scholarships, My Opportunities, My Scholarship News, My Resources.** Take a closer look at My Opportunities where we post announcements and reminders from the Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars chapter and My Resources where you can print a resume based on the information you entered into your profile.

## My Dashboard

### My Information

Your profile is 56% complete.

You still have an incomplete profile. You will reach 100% complete when all the starred (\*) items in each section are complete, however you may still apply for scholarships with less than 100% complete. If you do not complete your profile, you may not qualify for all scholarships.

[Work on Profile](#)

To have a complete profile, the following supplementary information may be required. Request this information by going to the appropriate section of your profile. Current status of these pieces are:

Transcript Information: Not Started, request transcript from School Official  
Recommendation from Reference: Not started  
Consent from Parent or Guardian: Over 16; consent not required

Scholarships I've Applied for this Year: 0

### My Scholarships

[Search for Scholarships](#)

Search to see if you match to or if there are any updates to any open scholarships.

Check this section often, as scholarships open and close all the time. We recommend you check back weekly so you do not miss any new opportunities.

# Part B: My Scholarships

This is where you apply for the Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars Scholarships.

Log in to your dashboard at:

[www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org)

Scroll down to the **My Scholarships** section.

Click the button **Search for Scholarships**

## My Dashboard

### My Information

Your profile is 56% complete.

You still have an incomplete profile. You will reach 100% complete when all the starred (\*) items in each section are complete, however you may still apply for scholarships with less than 100% complete. If you do not complete your profile, you may not qualify for all scholarships.

[Work on Profile](#)

To have a complete profile, the following supplementary information may be required. Request this information by going to the appropriate section of your profile. Current status of these pieces are:

Transcript Information: Not Started, request transcript from School Official  
Recommendation from Reference: Not started  
Consent from Parent or Guardian: Over 16; consent not required

Scholarships I've Applied for this Year: 0

### My Scholarships

[Search for Scholarships](#)

Search to see if you match to or if there are any updates to any open scholarships.

Check this section often, as scholarships open and close all the time. We recommend you check back weekly so you do not miss any new opportunities.

Answer the Yes/No eligibility questions. Note: Some questions may seem repetitive but it's important to respond to each one. Each question is tied to a specific scholarship.

<input type="checkbox"/> Hide	Custom Eligibility
Are you entering a ROTC program or are you a child or grandchild of a veteran?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Are you planning to pursue a field of study in Pre-Med or BSN? OR Are you planning to pursue a field of study one of these medical-related fields: pharmacy, speech pathology, physical therapy?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Are you planning to pursue a career in education or teaching?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Are you pursuing a career in a medical-related field?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	



You should see a list of scholarships you are eligible to apply for or click “Verify Eligibility” to see your list of scholarships.

The screenshot shows a sidebar with navigation links: GPA, Class Rank, Test Scores, Activities, Awards, Employment, Documents, Parent/Guardian Info, Financial Info, Goals Essay, Unusual Circumstances Essay, Transcripts, References, and Help. The main content area is titled 'Scholarship Program Name' and 'Activities'. Below this is a section 'Scholarships Applications Ready to Complete' with instructions: 'If Questions or References button is highlighted red, please click and follow instructions. You must do this step BEFORE you are able to click the Apply button. The apply button must be clicked BEFORE the close date in order to be eligible.' A note states: 'NOTE: If you see a button that reads "no longer eligible", then your profile or the scholarship requirements have changed and you are no longer eligible for that scholarship. To check this, click the "Verify Eligibility for all Scholarships" button at the top of this page.' A table lists scholarships with columns for Scholarship, Close Date, View, Questions, References, and Apply. The 'Apply' buttons are highlighted in red. Callouts provide additional instructions: 'Must answer this question for the apply button to turn red. Refresh screen after answering.' (pointing to the 'Questions' button), 'No extra info required. Click SUBMIT to apply for the scholarship.' (pointing to the 'Apply' button), and 'Some scholarships require you to answer a simple question or write a paragraph to apply. Enter your essay answer before you can click Apply.' (pointing to the 'Apply' button).

Scholarship	Close Date	View	Questions	References	Apply
Anne Gallagher Memorial - 2020	02/07/2020	View	Questions	References	Apply
Brent Croker Memorial Teaching Scholarship - 2020	02/07/2020	View	Questions	References	Apply
Floyd and Dorcas Kallmer Scholarship - 2020	02/07/2020	View	Questions	References	Apply
Frank T. and Joan L. Smith Memorial Scholarship - 2020	02/07/2020	View	Questions	References	Apply
I&S Group Scholarship - 2020	02/07/2020	View	Questions	References	Apply

\_\_\_ Click **Verify Eligibility for Additional Scholarships** to make sure you’ve responded to the Yes/No questions correctly.

\_\_\_ Click **View** for each specific scholarship to make sure you want to apply for it. Note: Some scholarships require additional information (**Questions**) before the application can be submitted.

\_\_\_ Click **Submit App** for each scholarship you want to be considered for. Each scholarship will require a digital signature.

**Congratulations! You made it through the application process!**

\_\_\_ Keep your login information in a safe place and check back in – especially the **My Scholarships** section. You may be eligible for other state or national scholarships and you can use this system to apply for them.

\_\_\_ Check your email on a regular basis. We’ll keep you informed about the Awards Ceremony and what you’ll need to do to accept your scholarship(s). Awards Ceremony: *April 25, 2020 – 1:30 pm – Storm Lake High School Auditorium*



## Dollars for Scholars

### Instructions for Completing Applicant Appraisal

For teacher, activity sponsor, or high school guidance counselor

\_\_\_\_\_ is requesting that you provide information in support of his/her application for a Storm Lake Dollars for Scholars scholarship. Please check your email (and your SPAM folder if you don't see it in your Inbox).

\*\*\* The email is from *Scholarship America*

\*\*\* The subject line says: *A student has requested information for a Scholarship America Application*

Please be aware that this email is NOT asking for a recommendation letter. The **Applicant Appraisal** has eight questions that require a one-click response and space for a 2-4 sentence comment.

Please follow the instructions in the email to complete the ONLINE process.

You'll be asked to **Set Your Password**. \*\*\* This actually means: CREATE Password.

\_\_\_ Enter whatever word you wish to have (and remember) as your password.

\_\_\_ Click **Save Password**

\_\_\_ Write your password down in a safe place. You'll be able to use it again next year or for any additional students this year who request a recommendation.

After you've created your password (and the next time you receive an email from Scholarship America with this type of request) the link in the email will take you directly to a list of **My Students** but you can *also* access the system this way:

Go to:

**[www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.StormLake.dollarsforscholars.org)**

\_\_\_ Click on the **Students & Parents** tab

\_\_\_ Click to **Login**

\_\_\_ **References:** Click here to login

To complete the Applicant Appraisal: Look at your list of **My Students**.

\_\_\_ Click **Add Recommendation** for specific student.

\_\_\_ Select the appropriate response for each question. Add **Comments** but please do

NOT use the student's name. A student's application can earn 1 or 2 additional points based on your comments here.

\_\_\_ Click **Save**. A window will pop up.

\_\_\_ Click on the box in the middle of the window.

\_\_\_ Click **Submit Recommendation** for specific student.

Note: You will not be able to edit after you **Submit Recommendation**

**My Information**

Please review and edit the following demographic information, if needed.

NOTE: If you have any questions about this process or are running into any issues, please click on the gray Support tab on the left side of the screen to send us a help ticket with the details of your issue/question.

Updated 12/10/2015 by Denise Bailou [edit](#)

First Name	SL
Last Name	Dollars for Scholars
E-mail address	<a href="mailto:SLdollarsforscholars@gmail.com">SLdollarsforscholars@gmail.com</a>
Mailing Opt Out	No
Primary Phone	712-299-3935

**My Students**

Please complete a recommendation for the following student(s). Click the "Add Recommendation" button and follow the instructions detailed there. Once you have completed the recommendation, you must click the "Submit Appraisal" button to complete the action.

* Legal First Name	* Legal Last Name	* Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)
test	student1	01/01/1987

[Add Recommendation](#)

The applicant's choice of postsecondary education program is -- Select --

The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability -- Select --

The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is -- Select --

The quality of the applicants commitment to school and community is -- Select --

The applicant is able to seek, find, and use learning resources -- Select --

The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative -- Select --

The applicant demonstrates good problem solving skills, follows through, and completes tasks -- Select --

The applicant's respect for self and others is -- Select --

Comments about applicant (do not name student)

Questions? Email [sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com](mailto:sldollarsforscholars@gmail.com)