



Scholarships and Your College Investment



You can do this - it's so worth it!

Creating Opportunities. Changing Lives.

MY EDUCATION

Education is an investment that can increase in value for decades.

Planning ahead and investigating options can help maximize your investment opportunities.

“Your support is what guides and makes my return to academia a possibility,” Robbie said to his donors in a thank you letter. “Your selfless contribution to the scholarships program is greatly appreciated, but even more so, is the honor of being selected amongst other candidates.”

Recipient of Tools of Tomorrow and Anderson Chemical Company scholarships

“Growing up in an underprivileged community has not only given me financial and academic challenges, but has also helped me realize the importance of a college education.... As a mother of three young children, I am thankful for generous scholarships and for helping me make my dreams come true.”

Recipient of Bremer Finish Line, Foot Lake Four, Trustee and Life-Science Innovations scholarships

More than 70 percent of Ridgewater students receive some sort of financial aid.



*Robbie Sheets,
Stewart*



*Sarah Maciel
California & Willmar*

MY INVESTMENT PLAN

*Apply for
financial
aid at
fafsa.gov.*

*Remember to
check work
study as a
potential
revenue
source on
your FAFSA.
It's tax-free,
convenient,
on-campus
work
experience
great for
your
resume'.*



Developing a plan to pay for college makes it less stressful and helps you stay committed to the plan.

Goal:

I want to earn a _____ credential in the following program: _____

Current Estimated Cost to Attend

Ridgewater Per Year: \$ _____

REVENUE:

Savings: \$ _____

Family Help: \$ _____

Financial Aid:

Grants: \$ _____

Work Study: \$ _____

Loans: \$ _____

Scholarships: \$ _____

Off-Campus

Employment: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

EXPENSES:

Tuition & Fees: \$ _____

Room & Board: \$ _____

Other: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

DECIDE. PLAN. SUCCEED.

FINANCIAL AID

PELL GRANTS

Grants are available to students with financial need. The amount of the Pell Grant is determined by a family's total financial resources. Application is made by completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at www.fafsa.gov.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

Grants are available from \$200 to \$1000, sometimes more, depending on time of application and need.

MINNESOTA STATE GRANTS

The amount of each grant is determined by the number of credits taken each semester. These grants are restricted to Minnesota residents; students may apply by completing the FAFSA.

ALLISS TWO-YEAR OPPORTUNITY GRANT

This is available to students in any Associate's, diploma, certificate or MN Transfer Curriculum courses designed to transfer to a 4-year baccalaureate program. Students must NOT have already earned a Bachelor's degree. For more information, go to www.ridgewater.edu/future-students/paying-for-college/Pages/Grants.aspx or search for Alliss Grant.

WORK STUDY PROGRAM

Federal Work Study and Minnesota State Work Study programs provide part-time employment for students with financial need. Students will select and apply for a job on campus or with a public or private non-profit agency in the community. The number of hours a student may work is determined by the FAFSA results and the student's schedule. Available Ridgewater job postings for student consideration are listed on the Ridgewater website. Students with questions about work study should contact the Financial Aid Office. A great way to gain experience is to seek a work study job related to your major.

www.ridgewater.edu/financialaid



FINANCIAL AID

Loans are not anyone's preferred way of paying for college, but they can make life manageable so you can focus on your studies to succeed now and in the future.



FEDERAL DIRECT SUBSIDIZED STAFFORD STUDENT LOAN

Eligible students may borrow up to a maximum of \$3,500 during the first year of attendance and \$4,500 after 30 credits are completed. Repayment begins six months after a student graduates or drops below half time (6 credits).

FEDERAL DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD STUDENT LOAN

This is an unsubsidized student loan program for borrowers who do not qualify for the Subsidized Stafford Student Loan program. The interest rate beginning July 1, 2016, is 3.76%. The combined Stafford loans may not exceed federal loan limits.

DIRECT PLUS LOAN FOR PARENTS

Parents of dependent undergraduate students may borrow through this program. The fixed interest rate is 6.31% effective July 1, 2016, and begins upon disbursement, or paying out of the loan. You'll generally be expected to start making payments on your loan once it is fully disbursed. However, you may request a deferralment while your child is enrolled at least half time for an additional six months after your child graduates, leaves school, or drops below half-time enrollment. You don't have to make payments while your loan is deferred. This program requires a parent to apply online at www.studentloan.gov. A credit check is part of the process. Funds can be used to help pay for educational expenses not covered by other financial aid.

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FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Ridgewater College Foundation awards scholarships each year from funds donated by organizations, individuals and grants. Each scholarship varies in its criteria. Some recognize academic accomplishments, others leadership skills or potential for success and others are based on need. Many are linked to specific programs.

To apply or learn more, go to:
www.ridgewater.edu/scholarships

DEADLINES

Scholarship application deadlines are **April 15** for fall semester awards and **October 15** for spring semester awards.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Incoming and current non-PSEO students in good academic standing are eligible. Must complete admissions process before applying for scholarships.

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

Go to www.ridgewater.edu/scholarships for the most current list of available scholarships, answers to frequently asked questions, an Application User Guide, and much more.

FOUNDATION STAFF

Contact us any time.

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FOUNDATION HOURS

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Monday - Friday

HUTCHINSON: Room 118, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.,
Mondays and Wednesdays

*More than
320
scholarship
awards
are
granted to
Ridgewater
students
annually.*

Are you also
receiving
non-Ridgewater
Foundation
scholarships?

*If the answer is yes
and you'd like
assistance
coordinating these
external
scholarships with
Ridgewater,
contact Sheila in
the Foundation
Office at
320-222-6095.*

7 STEPS TO SCHOLARSHIPS

Quick Tips:

*Start early —
know the
deadlines*

*Read the
directions*

*Write
thoughtful and
detailed answers*

*Do your best in
classes and get
involved*

*Eligible and
awarded
students must
maintain
satisfactory
academic
progress*

*Proof your
application
carefully
before
submitting*

The Ridgewater College Foundation application process uses Academic Works software and is entirely online each fall and spring semester. Application deadlines are April 15 for fall semester awards and October 15 for spring semester awards.

- Step 1** Review the Application User Guide and FAQs *before* starting your application.
- Step 2** Go to www.ridgewater.edu/applynow to start and complete your Application for Admission. Students must be officially admitted to Ridgewater and have an active Star ID and Password to access the online scholarship application.
- Step 3** Obtain the email address of the person(s) you will ask to write a recommendation letter for you. You will request recommendation letters from within your General Application so you must have the email addresses in hand.
- Step 4** Go to www.ridgewater.edu/scholarships to access the Scholarship Application. (Each session opens about 6 weeks prior to the application deadline.)
- Step 5** Enter your Star ID and Password to log in and begin the General Application for scholarships. This application works for all Ridgewater College Foundation scholarships and only needs to be completed once each semester.
- Step 6** Carefully and accurately complete each question on the General Application. Take time to prepare *thoughtful and detailed answers* to the essay questions. Proof thoroughly.
- Step 7** When all answers on your application are complete, click FINISH AND SUBMIT. You will receive a confirmation message by email indicating your application has been successfully submitted. Award notifications will be sent approximately 4 weeks after the deadline.

ACADEMIC & GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Availability of these scholarships, the number of awards, and the award amounts may change without notice. For the most current listing, go to ridgewater.edu/scholarships.

Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Access to Education	\$500	Awarded to a first-generation or low-income college student or one from an under-represented racial or ethnic groups or has a history of overcoming adversity
Adams Honors/Presidential	\$2,000	Willmar student, awarded to incoming high school graduates to recognize academic excellence; award is per semester for up to 4 semesters; 3.5 GPA or greater
Adult Basic Education	\$500	Awarded to students enrolled on Hutchinson Campus who have completed their GED through the Adult Basic Education (ABE) program. Must be recommended by an ABE instructor.
American Ass'n of University Women (AAUW)	\$500	Outstanding Willmar student who will transfer to 4-year college the following fall, preference to females; 3.0 GPA
American Legion Post #167	\$500	Willmar student; 3.0 GPA
Anderson Chemical Company	\$500	Litchfield High School graduate; 3.0 GPA
Bookstore/Phi Theta Kappa	\$250- \$500	Willmar Bookstore employee or active Phi Theta Kappa member; 3.0 GPA
Business & Professional Women	\$500	Nontraditional Willmar students, taking 12 credits or more; preference to female students age 22 years or older
Cancer Survivor Scholarship	When \$ available	Student who is a cancer survivor making satisfactory progress in school and showing financial need
Don Lindgren Memorial	\$500	Willmar maintenance work study; recommendation must come from maintenance staff; 2.5 GPA
Don Rinke Scholarship	\$400	Willmar student with financial need who exhibits initiative and enthusiasm; alternates between technical program and liberal arts; 2.5 GPA
Ed & Clara Gesch Memorial	\$400	Willmar student dealing with, or who has overcome, a significant financial hardship
Heritage Bank, N.A.	\$400	Graduating seniors from ACGC, KMS, MACCRAY, NLS or Willmar; preference to Heritage Bank customers; 2.5 GPA
Hutchinson Jaycees	\$250	Graduating senior or recent graduate from a Hutchinson high school enrolling/enrolled fulltime at Ridgewater's Hutchinson campus
Hutchinson VFW Post #906	\$500	Student from Hutchinson who is a verified veteran or relative of a veteran
James Black Memorial	\$250	Hutchinson student; 3.0 GPA
Jared Johnson Memorial	\$300	Willmar student involved in his/her community or in student activities and active member of Christians In Action or his/her church; 2.5 GPA

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All Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements are cumulative GPAs, not by semester.*

Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Life-Science Innovations	\$750 FT or \$350 PT	Students who are employees or dependents of employees of Life-Science Innovations, Willmar Poultry Company, or any of its subsidiary companies. Applicants must include an employee ID and/or parent name and employee ID on application.
McLeod Coop. Power Ass'n	\$500	Graduates from McLeod, Carver, Renville, and Sibley counties or who currently reside in a county above
Music Scholarship	\$250+	Incoming high school graduates who participated in high school choir and intend to participate in choir while enrolled at Ridgewater's Willmar campus. Recommendation from students' high school choir director is required; 3.0 GPA
Delbert and Patricia Allinder Memorial	\$550	Nontraditional Willmar Nursing student, preference to women
Phi Theta Kappa	\$200	Current Hutchinson student active in PTK; must include recommendation from employer or someone outside the college who testifies to student's service, leadership, and fellowship; essay required; 3.5 GPA
Pioneer-Heritage Insurance	\$500	Graduating senior from ACGC, KMS, MACCRAY, NLS or Willmar, with preference to customers; 2.5 GPA
Saturday Night Cruisers Car Club	\$500	Hutchinson Campus student; must be resident of McLeod County and must have graduated from a McLeod County high school
Success	\$500	Part-time student who has completed at least one semester (at least 6 credits) at Ridgewater; 3.0 GPA
Transfer Scholarship	\$500	Incoming transfer students who have earned a minimum of 12 credits from an accredited institution of higher learning during the previous year; 3.0 GPA
Trustee	\$500- \$1,000	Nontraditional student who has outstanding academic achievement; a nontraditional student has either never had the opportunity to go to college or who has been away from a classroom setting for six years or more; must explain academic and personal success as Ridgewater student; 3.0 GPA
Virginia Allen Nontraditional Part-time Scholarship	\$500	Part-time student who has been away from school for at least six years; 3.0 GPA
Walt's Soft Cloth Car Wash	\$500	Walt's employees who work at least 20 hours weekly
Willmar Fraternal Order of Eagles	\$800 or 2 \$400	Willmar student with outstanding leadership, essay details required
Willmar Noon Lions	\$500	Graduating senior from Willmar High School or Community Christian School; must demonstrate financial need, community service and leadership; 3.0 GPA

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

All recipients of program scholarships must be full-time students unless otherwise stated. All Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements are cumulative GPAs.

Program	Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Accountant, Accounting Clerk/Technician	Estelle Kettner Memorial	\$500	Willmar students in the Accountant or Accounting Technician/Clerk programs
Accounting, CADD, Machine Tool	Robert Erickson Memorial	\$400	Student in Accounting, Computer-aided Drafting or Machine Tool; 3.0 GPA
Accounting	Larry Wepplo Memorial	\$1000	Willmar Accounting student; preference to second-year students whose intent is to transfer and pursue a 4-year degree in Accounting; 3.0 GPA
Accounting	Larry Wepplo Memorial - Transfer	\$1000	Second-year Willmar Liberal Arts/Accounting student planning to transfer to pursue 4-year Accounting degree; 3.0 GPA
Administrative Assistant	Administrative Assistant - Willmar	\$250	Current or incoming Willmar Administrative Assistant student; 3.0 GPA
Agriculture	Alliance Pipeline	\$600	Agriculture student; 2.5 cumulative GPA
Agriculture	CHS	\$1500	Agriculture student who is US citizen or legal resident, preference given to students with demonstrated interest in ag-based co-operatives through coursework or internship
Agriculture	Joe Krick Memorial	\$1000	Second-year Agriculture student with Ag instructor approval
Agriculture	Kirk Skaurud Memorial	\$1000	Second-year Agriculture student, preference to student involved in PAS Club
Agriculture	Rich Allen Memorial	\$500	Agriculture student; 2.0 GPA
Agriculture	Robert Thurston Scholarship	\$600	Agriculture student; 3.0 GPA
Agriculture	Todd James Ahrenholz Memorial	\$500	Agriculture student; essay required to explain financial need; 2.5 GPA
Agriculture	Willmar Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce - Agri-business	\$500	Agriculture student who is current or past 4-H or FFA member; preference given to Kandiyohi County residents; 3.0 GPA
Agriculture Education	Harry Molenaar Memorial	\$300	Agriculture student who intends to transfer to pursue Ag Education degree, preference to past FFA students; 3.0 GPA
Agriculture or Automotive	Bernard Hoidal Memorial	\$500	Agriculture or Automotive student; 3.0 GPA
Agriculture, Psychology or Sociology	Peter Tintes Memorial	\$500	Agriculture student who is involved in organic farming, or student majoring in Psychology or Sociology; 2.5 GPA

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Auto Body	Auto Body	\$500	Auto Body student; 2.5 GPA
Auto Body	Clayton Fossum Memorial Auto Body Scholarship	\$250	Second-year Auto Body student who grew up or resides within 60 miles of Willmar; approved by program faculty; preference to Willmar High School graduates
Auto Body	Kristina Baune Memorial	\$400	Second-year student in Auto Body or Auto Collision, approved by program faculty
Auto Body	Willmar Car Club	\$350- \$500	Second-year student, must describe your interest in cars & future plans in application
Auto Tech	Auto Technology	\$500	Auto Tech student; 2.5 GPA
Automation & Robotics Systems	Automation & Robotics	\$500	Students enrolled in 6 Automation and Robotics Systems credits (ENGT) for fall semester on Hutchinson Campus; 2.50 GPA
Automation & Robotics Systems	National Conference of Standard Labs	\$500- \$1000	Students enrolled in 6 Automation and Robotics Systems credits (ENGT) for fall semester on Hutchinson Campus; 2.50 GPA
Automotives	James Albrecht Memorial	\$600	Graduating GFW senior pursuing Automotive degree; may also consider students who were in GFW track, cross country or band
Carpentry, Electronics Technology	Mabel Erickson Family	\$500	Student in Carpentry or Electronics Technology; 3.0 GPA
Computer-aided Drafting (CADD)	Computer-aided Drafting & Design	\$500 & \$325	CADD students
CADD or Machine Tool	MITGI	\$500	Renewable up to 4 semesters, preference to students employed at MITGI; 3.0 GPA
Cosmetology	Cosmetology	\$400	Cosmetology student, in memory of Renee Oliver
Cosmetology	Jan Dahl Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Cosmetology student with recommendation from Melissa Coborn
Dairy Management	Brant Groen Dairy Management Scholarship	\$500	Second-year Dairy Management student, recommendation from Dairy instructor; permanent residence 250+ miles from Willmar
Dairy Management	Matthew L. Flaschenriem Memorial	\$3000	Second-year Dairy Management student approved by Dairy instructor
Educational Assistant, Activity Assistant, Universal Care	Kari Reilly Achievement Award	\$300	Educational Assistant, Activity Assistant or Universal Care student involved in student life activities

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Program	Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Education: Early Childhood, Ed Assistant, Phy Ed, Secondary Ed, Liberal Arts	United Way - Education	\$500	Full- or part-time student studying to be an educator and who grew up in or resides in a community served by United Way - West Central Minnesota; 3.0 GPA
Electrician	Meeker Cooperative Electric Trust	\$750	Electrician student who is or who has a family member who has been a member of Meeker Cooperative Electric within last 5 years or a current employee; 2.0 GPA
Electrician	Stearns Electric Association Trust	\$750	Second-year, full-time student, preference to dependent of Stearns Electric Association member
Electrician	Electrician Staff	\$500	Second-year student, must be approved by program faculty
Electrician	Willmar Electric Service	\$500	Electrician student
Electronics Technology	Steve Nelson Memorial	\$400	Second-year Hutchinson Electronics Technology student
English or Education	Education & English Scholarship	\$500	Full- or part-time second-year English or Education Hutchinson major; 3.0 GPA
Health Care	Health Care/ Foot Lake Four	\$500	Willmar healthcare student working or planning to work in health care in Kandiyohi County
Health Care	Helen S. Hatlelid Memorial	\$600	Glen Oaks Care Center employee or dependent of employee pursuing healthcare career
Health Care	Hutchinson Area Foundation for Health Care	\$400	Hutchinson student pursuing healthcare career
Health Care	Ron Flannigan Memorial	\$500	Critical Care Paramedic or Code Blue Training student or nontraditional second-year student in any program, preference to medical/patient care student or first-time college student
Health Care	Steve Walter Memorial	\$800 or 2 at \$400	Healthcare student who resides in community with ACMC clinic (Willmar, Litchfield, NLS, Redwood Falls, Marshall, Granite Falls, Benson, Hancock) and demonstrates financial need; 2.5 GPA
Health Care	United Way - Health	\$500	Healthcare student who grew up in or resides in community served by United Way - West Central; 3.0 GPA

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Program	Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Health Information Tech/ Medical Coding	Affiliated Community Health Foundation HIT/MCS	\$500	Health Information Tech or Medical Coding Specialist student with financial need, preference to bilingual students; 3.0 GPA
Health Information Tech/ Medical Coding	HIT/MCS	\$500	Health Information Tech or Medical Coding Specialist student
Human Services or Psychology	Wayne Hulstein Memorial	\$500	Human Services or Psychology student; 3.0 GPA
Information Technology	Loffler Companies	\$500	Current or incoming student in any computer/information technology program
Law Enforcement	Lyle Goeddertz Memorial	\$500	Willmar student in Law Enforcement or pre-law; 2.5 GPA
Liberal Arts	Freshman Scholarship	\$500	First-year Liberal Arts students, recently graduated from high school
Liberal Arts	Hutchinson Liberal Arts	\$500	Hutchinson student enrolled in Liberal Arts transfer program seeking an AA degree
Liberal Arts	Sophomore Scholarship	\$500	Liberal Arts student returning for fall of second year
Liberal Arts	Willmar Liberal Arts	\$500	Willmar Liberal Arts student; 3.0 GPA
Liberal Arts	Paul J. Aamot Memorial	\$500	Liberal Arts student pursuing coursework toward a degree in Education, English, Journalism, or Communications
Machine Tool or CADD	MITGI	\$500	Machine Tool or Computer-aided Drafting student, renewable up to 4 semesters
Machine Tool	Haas Machine Tool	\$1000	First-year Machine Tool student; 2.0 GPA.
Machine Tool	Siksne-Adams	\$450	Machine Tool student approved by program faculty
Marketing	Ken Schmiesing Memorial	\$400	Willmar student
Marketing	Marketing	\$300	Hutchinson student
Marketing	Marketing	\$400	Willmar student
Medical Assistant	Affiliated Community Health Foundation (ACHF) Medical Assistant	\$1000	Full-time Medical Assistant student demonstrating financial need; preference to bilingual students; 3.0 GPA

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Medical Assistant	Kelly Berghorst Memorial	\$400	Nontraditional Medical Assistant student demonstrating financial need
Medical Assistant	Medical Assistant	\$400	Medical Assistant student; 3.0 GPA
Multimedia Design Technology	Multimedia Design Technology	\$500	Multimedia Design Technology student
Nondestructive Testing (NDT)	Acuren Inspection	\$2500	Second-year student nominated and approved by NDT faculty, good 2 semesters
Nondestructive Testing (NDT)	Ben Sanden Memorial	\$2500	Current or incoming NDT student with strong work ethic and impeccable integrity illustrated in recommendations; must have unmet financial need; 3.0 GPA
Nondestructive Testing (NDT)	George Pherigo NDT Memorial	\$500	NDT student; 3.0 GPA
Nondestructive Testing	Robert D. Bonniwell Memorial	\$500	Second-year NDT student; 3.0 GPA
Nursing	Claire Houchens Memorial	\$400	Willmar Nursing or pre-nursing student
Nursing	Hutchinson BPO Does	\$250	Hutchinson Nursing or pre-nursing student
Nursing	Margaret Osteraas Memorial	\$500	Willmar Nursing or pre-nursing student; 2.5 GPA
Nursing	Marilyn and John Docksey Memorial	\$500	Hutchinson Nursing or pre-nursing student; 2.5 GPA
Nursing	People Helping People (Juul Family)	Varies	Nontraditional Hutchinson Nursing student, preference to students employed at nursing homes in Hutchinson; 3.0 GPA
Nursing - PN	Affiliated Community Health Foundation - PN	\$1000	Willmar Practical Nursing student with financial need, preference to bilingual students; 3.0 GPA (No Pre-nursing or MANE)
Nursing - PN	Alana Carrigan Krick Memorial	\$1000	Willmar Nursing student who exhibits characteristics of caring nurse, plus recommendation from nursing instructor or someone in field with applicant (No Pre-nursing)
Nursing - PN or MANE/BSN	Danielson Nursing	\$1000	Accepted and enrolled PN or MANE/BSN Nursing student; 3.0 GPA (No Pre-nursing)
Nursing - PN or MANE/BSN	Elaine & D.J. Black Memorial	\$400	Accepted and enrolled Hutchinson PN or MANE/BSN Nursing student; 3.0 GPA (No Pre-nursing)
Nursing - PN or MANE/BSN	Rice Hospital Physicians	\$1000	Accepted and enrolled Willmar PN or MANE/BSN Nursing student; (No Pre-nursing)
Occupational Skills	Occupational Skills	\$250	Occupational Skills student
Photography	Duke Thiele Memorial	\$250	Professional Photography student

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Program	Award Name	\$	Criteria and Requirements
Photography	E.J. Quinn Memorial	\$250	Professional Photography student
STEM	MinnWest Technology	Varies when \$ available	Students pursuing a degree in a science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) field such as Agronomy Technology, Automation & Robotics Systems Technology, Biology or Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer-Aided Drafting & Design, Computer Programming, Computer Science, Computer Support Technician, Cyber Security, Electronics Technology, GPS/GIS for Ag, Mobile App Development, Network Systems Administration, Pre-Engineering, Web Design Technology, and Web Programming; 3.0 GPA
Technical Programs	Carol McGarvie Memorial	\$300	Nontraditional Willmar female away from school or college for 6+ years
Technical Programs	Staff Technical	\$300-\$500	Outstanding Willmar student in 2-year program with recommendation by technical staff or faculty
Various Technical Programs	Murl E. Anderson	\$550	Student in Auto Body, Auto Tech, Machine Tool, Carpentry, Vet Tech or Welding; 3.0 GPA.
Veterinary Technology	Minnesota Veterinary Medical Foundation	\$1000	Second-year Vet Tech students with 3.0 GPA (usually 2 awards, one must be from MN high school)
Veterinary Technology	Veterinary Technology	\$400 - \$800	Vet Tech student; 3.0 GPA
Veterinary Technology	Veterinary Technology Association	\$500	Vet Tech student; 3.0 GPA
Welding	American Welding Society	\$200 - \$600	First-year Welding student – Willmar and Hutchinson
Welding	Bergh's Fabricating	\$300	Willmar Welding student; 2.5 GPA
Welding	Caterpillar Excellence	\$500	Welding student
Welding	Custom Products	\$500	Welding student
Welding	Double B Repair/Brad Preslicka Memorial	\$500	Welding student; 2.5 GPA
Welding	Ken Fredrickson Memorial	\$260	Willmar Welding student; 3.0 GPA
Welding	Kleespie Tank	\$400	Welding student; 2.5 GPA
Welding	Shane Piehl Memorial	\$400	Hutchinson Welding student who resides or grew up within 30 miles of Hutchinson

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