



SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA 2023

Scholarship Name	Amount	Scholarship Criteria
Kenston Foundation Award of Merit (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded).	\$1,000	Discretionary scholarship awarded by the Kenston Foundation to an applicant of any of the other Foundation scholarships for which said individual was not a chosen recipient. <i>This scholarship is awarded at the sole discretion of the Kenston Foundation Scholarship committee and may not be awarded every year.</i>
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us which teacher at Kenston (from any grade K-12) has had the most impact on you and why.		
Kenston Foundation Math/Science Scholarship (2 scholarships awarded – 1 male and 1 female)	\$1,000	The recipient will be a senior with a demonstrated interest in math and/or science.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us which math or science class at Kenston is/was your favorite and why.		
Kenston Foundation Arts Scholarship (2 scholarships awarded – 1 male and 1 female)	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and plan to pursue a degree in Art in some way. In addition, the recipient must have taken at least 4 art classes at Kenston.
ESSAY PROMPT: Submit a photo of your favorite piece of art (original or otherwise) and tell us why it's your favorite.		
Kenston Foundation Vocational Education Scholarship (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded).	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and must plan to attend a vocational school or skilled trade training program (ie. Cosmetology school, welding/plumbing/carpentry training programs, auto mechanics training program, etc.) following graduation from Kenston to pursue a career in their vocational field of interest.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us what trade or vocation you plan to pursue upon graduation and why.		
Kenston Foundation First Generation College Scholarship	\$2,500	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, be the first member of their family to attend a four-year college or university and exemplify the qualities of dedication and hard work necessary to pursue higher education at the college level.
ESSAY PROMPT: Please pick one of the following prompts to write about: Being the first in your family to attend college must be both exciting and scary for you and your family. Please tell us (1) how you think attending college will impact your future or (2) how you think that attending college will impact your family.		
23 For the Class of 2023 (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded)	\$1,000	The recipient must be a graduating senior from the Class of '23.
ESSAY PROMPT: At this point in your life, you are thinking about graduation and your future beyond high school. It's a time for learning, planning and reflecting on yourself. Tell us how easy or difficult this journey this has been for you.		

Andrew Kenen Auditorium Technology Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have participated on the KHS Auditorium Technology crew and participated in band or chorus.
ESSAY PROMPT: How has being involved in the Auditorium Technology crew made you a better student?		
Ann Meyers Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must demonstrate a significant academic improvement throughout high school, with a minimum GPA of 2.5 by their senior year. The student should be involved in Kenston activities or athletics, and have demonstrated discipline, hard work, integrity, and team work.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us about your most improved academic achievement and how you accomplished it.		
Auburn Fire Department/John Reithoffer Memorial Scholarship	\$1,500	The recipient must have a GPA of 3.0 or better and pursue a profession in the public service sector (ie. Medical Profession (doctor/nurse/PA, etc), Police, Fire/EMS, Social Services, Teaching, Mental Health, etc.) and demonstrate a strong foundation in community involvement including sports, clubs, organizations or other activities in or out of school. May be used for a college or university degree, trade or vocational school, or program for State Certified Licenses in a public sector field.
ESSAY PROMPT: Describe your desired career choice and why you would be the best candidate to receive this scholarship. This submission should be a one page, single spaced essay.		
Bergansky Team Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have been involved in 4-H during at least 2 years of high school.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us the most important quality or lesson you learned from participating in 4-H.		
Cameron Toth Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must exhibit the Kenston Spirit, taking advantage of all Bainbridge/Auburn offers inside and outside of the classroom, demonstrating discipline, integrity and hard work. The recipient must have at least a 2.0 GPA and have attended Kenston High School for at least two years. The scholarship must be used pursue a career in a trade
ESSAY PROMPT: What trade will you be pursuing and why is this important?		
Chagrin Valley Jaycees	\$1,000	The recipient must have demonstrated a commitment to volunteer and community service and have a minimum GPA of 2.75.
ESSAY PROMPT: Clearly if you are applying for this scholarship, volunteering is important to you and something you do often. Please tell us about the one volunteer experience that has had the biggest impact on you and why.		
Dentistry at Winbury Inc. / Health Professional Scholarship Dr. Mark Vogley and Dr. Kelly McClintock	\$1,000	Health professional scholarship – recipient must have future plans for a career in a health-related field.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us why you believe a career in a health-related field is for you?		
Edward L. Randall PEAK Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient exemplifies PEAK behaviors throughout his/her school years. The student should exemplify the qualities of integrity, fairness, and compassion in his/her relationships within the school and community.
ESSAY PROMPT: Which PEAK quality do you feel you most exemplify and why?		
Forward Together Scholarship (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded)	\$1,000	The recipient must have experienced the passing of a parent or primary caregiver.
ESSAY PROMPT: When you think about your loved one, how did they live to inspire others? Respond to the phrase: "We are here to do the living they are not here to do". How do you plan to do that in their honor?		

Fred Snook Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have an unweighted GPA of 3.24 or above and been an active member of speech and debate for at least 2 years. The student should also have demonstrated a love of learning and hard work that Mr. Snook exemplified and taught to others.
ESSAY PROMPT: How has your involvement with speech and debate impacted you and your future goals?		
Jack Barkan Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and attended Auburn Career Center during their time at Kenston (ie. Cosmetology school, welding/plumbing/carpentry training programs, auto mechanics training program, etc.). Following graduation from Kenston, the recipient must plan to pursue a career in their vocational field of interest through additional vocational school training, skilled trade training program or apprentice program.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us about your plans to advance in your trade in the future and why it inspires you.		
Kenston Education Association	\$1,500	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 3.2, plan to pursue an education major, and have education-based leadership experience (e.g. tutoring).
ESSAY PROMPT: Explain an event or situation that made you want to pursue a career in education.		
Orbie and Cindy Hanks Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, have achieved a varsity letter in volleyball, and have demonstrated leadership, hard work, and dedication to the Kenston volleyball program.
ESSAY PROMPT: Explain the most important lesson you learned from Kenston Volleyball on and off the court.		
Paul S. Gardiner Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient will have demonstrated a dedication to the teaching profession through the recipient's academic performance and school activities.
ESSAY PROMPT: What is the one change, concept, or program you think Kenston should implement across the District to improve or enhance the educational process and why?		
PTO Scholarship (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded)	\$1,000	The recipient must demonstrate a commitment to giving back to the Kenston School Community in support of the PTO Mission Statement, "To encourage and enhance the education and welfare of the students, teachers, and staff in Kenston schools." <i>Recipient's family must be a member of the PTO by no later than the application deadline of February 24, 2024.</i>
ESSAY PROMPT: The PTO members volunteer their time to enhance the education and welfare of the students, teachers and staff in the Kenston schools. Describe one of your volunteer experiences and tell us how your volunteering impacted the organization and what you learned from it.		
Richard B Kay Memorial Horticultural Scholarship	\$1,500	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.8 and exemplify qualities of hard work, dedication, and plan to pursue a career in horticultural or landscape design. NOTE: the recipient also has the opportunity for an internship at Breezewood Gardens.
ESSAY PROMPT: How did you become interested in horticulture and/or landscape design?		
Robert A. Lee – Go Green Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have actively participated in activities to benefit the environment, including volunteer activities, and plan on pursuing a career with an environmental focus.
ESSAY PROMPT: In your future aspirations either professionally or personally, how do you plan to improve the environment?		

Sulc Scholarship for Excellence in Creative Writing	\$700	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 and demonstrate an enthusiasm and passion for writing.
ESSAY PROMPT: Please submit a favorite written piece and tell us why you chose it.		
The Bomber Elite's Club Gridiron Award of Character and Leadership	\$1,000	The recipient must have a GPA of 2.5, have achieved a varsity letter in football during junior and/or senior year, and have demonstrated hard work, leadership and integrity on and off the football field. <i>Please note that for this scholarship, one of the letters of recommendation must be from a Kenston Football Coach.</i>
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us the one lesson you have taught your younger teammates that will make them better in all aspects of football and in life.		
The Kathleen Pfouts Memorial Scholarship – 2 scholarships awarded.	\$2,000	A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required, demonstrating high grades in STEM. The recipient must intend to pursue a career in a healthcare related field.
ESSAY PROMPT: A person in the healthcare field needs unique qualities which include empathy and compassion. Explain your special qualities and give examples of how these qualities will serve you in the health care field.		
The Kenston High School Achievement Scholarship	\$2,000	A minimum GPA of 2.2 is required for consideration. This senior must demonstrate educational achievement and enroll in a college or university for the following fall semester. Preference will be given to a minority student who is African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian or Multiracial.
ESSAY PROMPT: Describe an idea you have regarding how the Kenston school district could improve race relations.		
The Leora Mae Hrabak Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have received at least one varsity letter and a minimum GPA of 3.0
ESSAY PROMPT: We all know that effective time management skills are an essential element to being a scholar athlete, but tell us what another important quality a scholar athlete must have.		
The True Grit Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 and demonstrated academic improvement throughout their high school career with commitment to Kenston school spirit through his/her activities and involvement in school and civic clubs and organizations. In addition, the candidate should have been involved in a sport for at least two years while in high school.
ESSAY PROMPT: An essential element of this scholarship is improving academically over your four years of high school, and we would like to understand how you did that. Please let us know the discipline and dedication necessary for that improvement to occur and how accomplishing improving your grades made you feel.		
Tom E. Goodman Memorial Scholarship (2 scholarships – 1 male and 1 female)	\$1,000 per scholarship	Demonstrated academic ability with a minimum GPA of at least 3.0 over the last 5 semesters. Demonstrated athletic ability – must have earned at least 2 letters in 2 varsity sports between grade 10-12 (please list these on your application).
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us what the hardest part of being a dual sport athlete is to you?		
William T. and Helen Sullivan Scholarship	\$1,000	No Requirements
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us a lesson you learned in Kindergarten and why it still applies as a graduating senior.		
We're Bridging the Gap Scholarship (more than 1 scholarship may be awarded)	\$1,000	To qualify for this scholarship, the recipient must be a resident of Chagrin Falls Park and a minority with at least a 2.0 GPA who plans on attending a trade school or other higher educational program.
ESSAY PROMPT: A minimum 500 word essay answering the question: Why should you receive this scholarship?		

Zinn Gorby Memorial Football Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must be a member of the Kenston Football Team, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher and participate in community service.
ESSAY PROMPT: Tell us how the Kenston Football program prepares you to be a leader in your community service efforts.		
First National Bank Scholarship	\$1,000	The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and plan to obtain a 4 year degree in business and have leadership and volunteer experience in the school and/or community.
ESSAY PROMPT: How would you be a leader in the business community?		