



Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Criteria and Application 2025

The Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce will award graduating seniors of Buffalo High School three scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 each. The selected recipient must meet the scholarship criteria and fully complete the application provided. The successful candidate, selected by the Chamber's scholarship committee, will be a stand-out among their peers of the outstanding characteristics the Chamber has determined for the scholarship recipient.

Scholarship Amount

\$1,500

Criteria

1. Be a graduating senior of Buffalo High School.
2. Be a student employee, or have a parent/guardian employed by a current (good-standing) Chamber member. To view a listing of all Chamber members see page 5 of this application or go to the Chamber's website at www.BuffaloChamber.org and click on Buffalo Chamber then Chamber Business Directory.
3. Has applied or been accepted to a post high school education or training program (online accredited college program, career or business school, technical college, community college or four-year college).
4. Student must use the scholarship for continuing education.
5. Finalist must be able to meet the scholarship selection committee for a personal interview.

Application

1. Neatly complete the application provided.
2. Provide detailed answers to essay questions on the application form. This should be typed on a separate sheet of paper and attached to the application.
3. Finalists in the application process will be contacted and invited to an interview with the scholarship committee the first week of May.

The PDF was also emailed to all chamber members in the weekly Member Brief Bytes e-newsletter. A paper copy of the application can also be obtained from the Buffalo High School Counselor's Office or at the Chamber's office. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Neatness and organization of information counts!

Deadline

The application and supporting materials are due by Friday, April 11, 2025. Completed materials can be returned to the Buffalo High School Counselor's Office.

Award Presentation

Once the scholarship recipient has been selected, the successful candidate will be contacted by the Chamber President. Since the scholarship is funded by the Chamber's annual golf event, the recipient will also be invited to speak at the golf outing's at Wild Marsh Golf Course on Thursday, May 29th at 9:45 a.m. The actual scholarship funds will be released after transcript is submitted from the first term or semester of the post-secondary school is completed.

Scholarship Committee

The Chamber Scholarship Committee will consist of Chamber members who do not have an employee's child submitting an application for consideration. The committee will review the application and conduct interviews with the selected finalists. The committee members reserve the right of judgment concerning the selection process and the granting of the scholarship award.

Please remove or print and retain this cover sheet.
Keep a copy of this application and all supporting materials for your own records.



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Applicant Information		Please print neatly or type.
Name		
Address		City, State, Zip Code
Phone	Alternate Phone	Email
Date of Birth		High School Graduation Date
Parent(s) or Guardian(s)		Relationship
Address (if different from applicant)		City, State, Zip Code
Phone (if different from applicant)	Alt. Phone (if different from applicant)	Email
Chamber Member Business Name		Occupation

Applicant Signature	
<p>I understand that this application must be completed in full by the due date in order to be considered. I certify that the information that I have listed is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to provide, if requested, any other data necessary to verify such information. I authorize Buffalo High School to release to the Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Committee, any information requested by such person pertinent to this award (i.e. high school transcript, enrollment status, current address, academic grades achieved, etc.). I affirm that any funds obtained, as a result of this application, will be used solely for the expenses related to attendance at a post-secondary institution.</p>	
Applicant Signature	Date
Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Signature	Date
Buffalo High School Counselor Signature	Date
<p>To be completed by Buffalo High School Counselor</p> <p>Student Rank: _____ Class Size: _____ GPA: _____</p>	

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If you have questions about the scholarship or application,
please call the Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce at 763-682-4902.



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Post-Secondary Information

Name of career or business school; technical, community or four-year college		
Have you applied for admission? <div style="text-align: center;">Yes No</div>	If no, when do you plan to apply?	If yes, have you been accepted? <div style="text-align: center;">Yes No</div>
Intended Vocation/Major of Study:		
What is your career plan/goal?		
Do your plans include returning to Buffalo, Hanover, or Montrose?	If not, where do you plan to look for work after college?	

Work Experience

Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Beginning with the most recent, please list all jobs, including seasonal/summer, over the past three years.			
Job/Title	Employer	Type of Work	Dates Employed

Community Service/Volunteering

Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Activities in the Community (Completed During Grades 9-12)	Date/Year of Service



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Student Activities/Athletics

Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Activities/Athletics in School (Completed During Grades 9-12)	Date/Year of Participation

Honors, Awards or Leadership

Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Honors, Awards or Leadership Positions Held (During Grades 9-12)	Date/Year of Participation

References

Please list two references who can speak to your character and ambitions. You must list one for each of the following requested, and the individual should not be related to you (aunt, uncle, grandparent, sibling).

Teacher or Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose School District Employee	Phone
Business or Community Resident in Buffalo, Hanover or Montrose	Phone

Essay Questions

Please use a separate sheet of paper.

Please provide answers to the following essay questions with as much detail as possible. All three responses should fit on a total of two pages (single spaced, 11-12 point type).

1. Describe the single most important event that helped shape your life to make you the person you are today.
2. What is your personal vision for your future and why are you interested in the business field of study you chose?
3. After graduation, how do you plan to give back to the community in which you will be living?



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Buffalo Chamber of Commerce Membership

A & A Heating and Air	Buffalo Transmission & Auto Care Inc	Functional Industries, Inc.	Marco
Adam Wichmann Construction	Buffalo United Methodist Church	Functional Medicine Center of Minnesota	McDonald's
Adjust to Health Chiropractic	Buffalo Wine & Spirits	Gather Kitchen	Melanie Clement
Adobe Acrobat	Bullseye Property Mgmt/Realty	Glass Guys of Minnesota	Meyer-Rohlin Land Services
Advanced Irrigation	Cash & Eddie's Dig Training	GrandStay Delano	MidCountry Bank
Allina Health Buffalo Hospital	Cenex Lake Region Co-op	Green Bookkeeping, LLC	MidCountry Insurance
American Family Ins-Chapman	CenterPoint Energy	Grindstone Construction Svs	Midland Nursery
Ameriprise Financial-Gagnon/Bigalke	Centra Sota Cooperative	Hair Architects Salon & Day Spa	Milestone Medicare LLC
Anchor Realty	Central Land Title Guarantee	Halvorson Legal	Milestone Radio LLC
Anchor Recovery	Central MN Mental Health Ctr	Hanson Dental	Mill Creek Inn
Andy's Plumbing LLC	Church of St. Francis Xavier	Has San Lake Mutual Insurance	Mini Biff
Annie's Attic Antiques	Citizen's State Bank of Waverly/Montrose	Havenwood of Buffalo	Minnesota Youth Shotgun Assn
Apothe-Cari LLC	City of Buffalo	HealthSource of Buffalo	MN Carnivorium
Apple Jack Orchards	CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen) LLP	Hegle Door Sales, Inc	Montrose Family Chiropractic
Applebees	Classic Gymnastics West	High Performance Coatings	Morrie's Buffalo Ford
Artistic Me	Coborn's	Homeowners Financial Group	Murphy & Co. Design, Inc.
Arvig Media	Coldwell Banker Realty	Honey Mama Boutique	MY Cleaning LLC
Balancing the Books	Comfort Keepers	Hope Community Church	Natural Roots Salon
Bankers Advertising	Commercial Realty Solutions	HSI Manufacturing	Neil's Floor Covering
BANKWEST	Community Dental Care	Huikko's Bowling & Entertainment Center	Next Level Seamless Gutters / Exteriors Inc.
Bed and Bone Too	Connection Pointe	Hurley Appliance Repair Inc.	Nicks Detail LLC
Bee Strong Blossoms	Copeland Buhl & Co. PLLP	Hutch & Home	North Star Awards & Trophies
Bella's Flock, Inc.	Correll Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	Initiative Foundation	North Star Pro Realty
Berger Financial - Charles Schwab	CorTrust Bank	InMotion Chiropractic	NT Woodworks, LLC
Best Western + Chelsea Hotel	Country Inn & Suites by Radisson	Inspire Advisors	OB Services, LLC
BGM Construction, Inc	Countryside Diesel, LLC	Insurance Brokers of MN, Inc. Mark Robinson Agency	Old National Bank
BHM Schools	Crossroads Veterinary Clinic / Animal Shelter	Insurance Center of Buffalo	Olson Chiropractic Centers
Big Bore Barbecue	Cub Foods	Insurance Lab	On Stage School of Dance
Biggs & Co.	Culligan	IntegriPrint, Inc.	Optimal Function Physical Therapy and Wellness
Bison Backcourt Club	Culver's of Buffalo	Izzy's Formals	Otto Associates Engineers & Land Surveyors
Biz-VoIP, INC	Custom Roasting, Inc.	J & J Athletics	OutDo Work
Bj's Deli, Inc	Dahlheimer Beverages	Jeremiah Schmid Concepts	Parenting with Grace, Inc.
Blake Benefits – Nicole Blake Agency	Dairy Queen	Jiggin Jim's Fishing Service and Taxidermy	Park View Senior Health & Living
Blue Cross & Blue Shield of MN	Deb's Cleaning Service	JMSC, PLLC	Paumen Computer Services
Bolton & Menk	Deer Lake Orchard	Johnson, Larson & Peterson	Pfeifer Property Management
Brenner Dental Group	Dental Care Associates	JTB Home Furniture + Decor	Pivotal Approach Counseling and Coaching
Bridging Hope Counseling	DGN Dirt Work and Utilities	Kay Nails and Spa	Play It Again Sports
Budget Host Inn	Dickson Construction, LLC	Keller Williams Realty - Ellie Ortmann	Positive Based Marketing
Buff 'N' Glo Car Wash	DiOrio Business Group, RE/MAX Advantage Plus	Keller Williams Realty Integrity NW	Precision Prints, Inc.
Buffalo American Legion	DOJO Karate	Keller Williams Realty Integrity NW- Circle Partners	Prime Advertising & Design Quality Counts Construction
Buffalo Art Guild	Donnas Beauty Bar	Keller Williams Realty Integrity NW- The Holthaus Group	Radio-Active Mobile Electronics
Buffalo Arts Council	E & M Outdoor Services	Kid's Haven of Buffalo	Randy's Sanitation/Republic Services
Buffalo Books and Coffee	Eclipse Digital Inc.	KJ Branding	Red Technologies
Buffalo Championship Rodeo	Edina Realty	Kjellberg Carpet One	Refine Pilates
Buffalo Chiropractic Clinic	Edund Media	Klatt True Value Hardware & True Value Rental	Renaissance Therapy and Consulting
Buffalo Collision Repair	EDM, LLC	Kris Dirks	Ritzy Replay
Buffalo Community Orchestra	Edward Jones-Brandon Walters	KRWV 1360/AM	Rivers of Hope
Buffalo Community Theater	Edward Jones - Derek Larson	Kwik Trip, Inc	Riverside Church
Buffalo Companion Animal Clinic	Edward Jones - Mark Rethman	Lake Ridge Senior Health & Living	RiverStone Financial Group & Insurance Services
Buffalo Dental Group	Edward Jones - Rob Stark	Lakeside Academy - MN Adult & Teen Challenge	Rock from the Heart
Buffalo Dry Cleaners & Launderers, Inc.	Elevate Accounting and Consulting	Lakeview Landscapes, Inc.	Rockbridge Treatment & Recovery
Buffalo Evangelical Free Church	Emily Lynn Freelance	Lakeview Nutrition	Rockford Riverview Estates
Buffalo Eye Clinic, P.A.	Emily Theisen Photography	Larson Building Inc	Rotary Club of Buffalo
Buffalo Family Dentistry	Endee LLC	Laumann's Outdoors	Royal Print Group, Inc.
Buffalo Family Tree Care	Ernhart's Auto Center	Lifestyle Optics	RTA LLC
Buffalo Floral & Landscaping	Family Counseling Center	Lillians	Ruffalo Doggie Spa
Buffalo Football Boosters	Farmers Insurance - Karna Kleven Agency	Living Well Disability Services	Ruffin Inn
Buffalo Getaways	Farmers Insurance-Jackie Crever Agency	Loberg Electric, Inc.	Russell Security Resource, Inc.
Buffalo Heights Golf Course	Fireplace Creations, LLC	Love INC	Ryan Auto Mall
Buffalo Lions	Fitness Evolution	LRS	Schroeppel & Schroepel Law
Buffalo Nickel Antique Mall	Forge Fitness	Lunderby Photography, Inc.	Second Hand Rose
Buffalo Orthodontics	Forget Me Not Cafe	M & M Express Sales & Service	Serenity Mental Health Services
Buffalo Pizza	Franklin Outdoor		SERVPRO of Wright County
Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Fresh Coat Painters of Buffalo		Setterberg Jewelers
Buffalo Ridge Builders			
Buffalo Rock Winery			
Buffalo Storage			



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SGA Group, Inc.
Shelter Construction, LLC
Sherwin Tax, PC
Sign Man, Inc.
Smith, Paulson, O'Donnell &
Erickson
SouthPoint Financial Credit
Union
Special Forces Paintball, LLC
Splash for Andrew
St. John's Lutheran Church
Stanford Hearing Aids
State Farm Insurance/Mark
Olson
State Farm Insurance/Troy
Crank
State Senator Bruce Anderson
Stellis Health
STRIVE Therapy Services, Inc.
Sunfish Dental
T & M Towing & Snowplowing
Techmate, Inc.
Terra Nova
The Butchery of Maple Lake
The Clinic for Medical
Aesthetics
The Costume Shoppe of Maple
Lake
The Glenn of Buffalo
The PORCH in Buffalo
The Rustic Arbor
The Travel Gallery
Thirsty Buffalo Saloon
Thomes Bail Bonds Inc.
Thomes Insurance Group
Thrivent Financial-Eric Ebeling
Tim's Quality Plumbing
Timber Bay
Title Mark, LLC
Tri-Co Tree Movers
Trueman Welters, Inc.
Truline Contracting, LLC
Trulson Exteriors
Tuff Shed
Unboxed Productions
United Faith Community
Valvoline Instant Oil Change
Vision Transportation Services
Von Ruden Manufacturing, Inc.
Walmart
Water's Edge Dog Center
West Suburban Auto
What's the Scoop?
Whirltronics, Inc.
Wild Marsh Golf Course
Willows Landing
Wise Penny Thrift Shoppe
Wray Automotive
Wright County Collision
Wright County Historical
Society
Wright County Journal-Press &
The Drummer
Wright County Wave Swim Club
wRight Lumber & Millwork
Wright Technical Center
Wruck Sewer and Portable
Rental
Zion Lutheran Church