

# HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

## J. ROSEMARY SHOCKEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

2025-2026  
APPLICATION

J. Rosemary Shockey was born April 1921 in rural Lena, Illinois. Rosemary graduated from Lena High School in 1939 and was awarded a scholarship and graduated from The Illinois Teachers College in 1941. After her education, at what is now Illinois State University, she began her lifelong career in teaching. She began her distinguished 30-year career as an elementary school teacher during World War II teaching in one-room schools. Rosemary possessed the patience, skill, and knowledge to teach all the subjects from grades 1-8. Her career continued into the city of Freeport where she continued teaching in the public schools until her retirement in 1983. Rosemary's passion and love of teaching is reflected in all the lives of her students. Through the resources and opportunities available at Highland Community College, she would be gratified to be able to help others with similar talents to provide the opportunity of teaching, learning, and sharing of quality education.

This scholarship is for books (new, used or rental) up to \$250.00 per semester for full- or part-time students enrolled at Highland Community College. (Unused book balance will be forfeited at the end of the academic year.)

### Requirements:

1. Student **must** be pursuing a degree or certificate.
2. Student must have a completed FAFSA on file with the HCC Financial Aid office. Student must meet the standards of academic progress to qualify.
3. Student must live in HCC District.
4. Books must be obtained from the J. Rosemary Shockey Highland Community College Bookstore.

A written thank you letter to the donor will be required before award is applied to your account. Letters should be sent c/o HCC Foundation, 2998 W Pearl City Road, Freeport IL 61032 or emailed to [foundation@highland.edu](mailto:foundation@highland.edu)

### FILING DEADLINE: June 1, 2025

Please print or type clearly. Use extra paper if necessary.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town & State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_ or Received GED (year): \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe in an essay your goals and plans for pursuing your education. How would this scholarship help you attain your educational goal and overcome any financial hardships?

Please staple an **UNOFFICIAL** copy of your most recent transcripts (college, high school, GED, etc.). Unofficial copies of Highland transcripts **MUST** be obtained/requested from the Admissions and Records Office; transcripts printed from ROAR will **NOT** be accepted.

I authorize Highland Community College to release my financial information and other academic records to the HCCF Scholarship review committee for purposes that may be used to determine eligibility for all scholarships.

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application to: HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION  
2998 W. PEARL CITY ROAD  
FREEPORT, IL 61032  
815.599.3413