

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

EDUARD BUSS FINE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

2025-2026
APPLICATION

Applications for this scholarship will be accepted from students who will be attending Highland Community College as full-time students next fall. These students must have a declared major or evidence of academic emphasis in one of the Fine Arts, including: **Art** (Art, Art Education, Graphic Design), **Music** (Instrumental Music, Music Education, Vocal Music), and **Theatre** (Performance Theatre, Technical Theatre).

The scholarship consists of an award (the amount may vary depending upon available income) for the student, with half of the award to be issued in the fall with the remaining half issued in the spring **after confirmation of standards of academic progress**. Applicants are invited to apply for additional year's awards.

Priorities for selection:

- A. Full time enrollment at Highland Community College
- B. Declared major or evidence of academic emphasis in one of the Fine Arts
- C. A minimum GPA of 2.75 is preferred and must be maintained throughout the academic year.

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

Materials Required: Application, transcripts, and letter of recommendation

FILING DEADLINE: September 19, 2025

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

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____ City & State: _____ Zip _____

County: _____ Telephone _____

Email Address: _____

Your High School: _____

Year Graduated: _____ Received GED: _____

College(s) Attended: _____ GPA: _____

Your major /academic interest: _____

Are you employed? Yes ____ No ____ If so, how many hours per week: _____

Employer: _____

Please provide a short essay approximately 250-300 words (about a page or two) describing your educational goals and desires, including which degree you are pursuing, why you chose this degree and what your future plans are. Your involvement in the arts and how that has shaped your educational experience is appreciated.

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.

You must also include one letter of recommendation from a high school instructor, if you are new to Highland, or one letter of recommendation from a Highland staff member

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