



DEKALB COUNTY
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

2021 Renaissance Scholarship Scholarship Guidelines

Description

The Renaissance Scholarship is awarded to a DeKalb County resident or a resident living with the service boundary of Kishwaukee College in Malta, IL who is in the work force and wants to reenter the academic world. Students must have had at least a one-year gap between graduating high school and seeking to further his or her education to apply. Applicants can also be students returning to school after years in the workforce to obtain a second undergraduate degree.

Eligibility criteria

- Applicants must have demonstrated activity in public and civic affairs including a voting record and/or participation in public school or community activities and organizations.
- Applicants should be able to demonstrate a need for scholarship assistance.

This is a \$1,000 award. It is renewable up to three consecutive years following the initial award and can be used for tuition at any accredited university or community college for expenses associated with undergraduate study. The recipient can seek a degree in any field of study but must demonstrate evidence of interest in the chosen field.

Yvonne Johnson, retired Sycamore teacher, originated the Renaissance Scholarship in 2007. Ms. Johnson works with the Foundation to establish a Renaissance Scholarship selection committee composed of citizens of DeKalb County to work independently to review all applications and select the scholarship recipient. They will make their selection free of political consideration and bias. The scholarship committee reserves the right not to fund the scholarship during any given year.

Application Process and Instructions

- 1) Complete the entire application online - <https://dekalbccf.org/receive/scholarship-application/>. No paper applications will be accepted
- 2) If needed, one additional page can be attached with reference the applicable question(s)
- 3) **All applications and supporting documents must be submitted online and are due by 11:59 p.m. on June 1, 2021.**

Questions?

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