

**The Hancock Community Education Foundation
Grant Criteria and Application
for
Hancock Central School Former Graduates
Due by May 22, 2026**

The following criteria must be met each year for a student to qualify for consideration of a grant from the Hancock Community Education Foundation. You must apply each year to be eligible for funding, this includes students who have received multi-year awards. The applications are available at www.hancockeducationfoundation.org and need to be returned to the Hancock Central School Guidance Office by the due date on the application.

1. The student must be approved for admission to an accredited four-year college, two-year community college with at least 12 credit hours, or technical school with an approved accreditation and undergraduate certificate program. Final approval of the program will be made by the scholarship committee.
2. The student must apply for government financial aid, be evaluated and approved for an aid package. Please attach FASFA Forms for proof of government loans.
3. The student must apply for scholarship aid from the school he or she is planning to attend and must agree to accept an aid package or work program or both offered by the school.
4. The student must apply for a minimum of three other available sources and provide documentation as part of his or her application. This should not include multi-year awards received in prior years, such as the Read, Leonard or other HCS multi-year awards.
5. The student must fill out a Hancock Community Education Foundation application form with all of the required information.
6. The Board of Directors will have sole responsibility for deciding the merits of each application and the aid to be granted, if any, after review of government, school, loans, work programs and other grants already received.
7. **All grants will be approved for one year only. The students must re-apply for aid from the Foundation at the end of each school year. Completed applications are to be returned to the Hancock Central Guidance Office by the due date on the application.**
8. When aid is approved it will be paid directly to the institution involved by submission of tuition bills to the Foundation Controller.
9. The student must maintain a 2.5 grade point average with a minimum of 12 credit hours; submit a report of grades and a copy of the tuition bill for each semester. Applications will be reviewed in June and December of each year. If you are ineligible because of your GPA you may apply for the next review period. You must fill out a complete application and submit to the Hancock Community Education Foundation Office.
10. The student must continue to meet the character and citizenship requirements of the school they are attending in order to receive aid.
11. **The student must write a thank you note to the Foundation prior to submitting a tuition bill.**

**THE HANCOCK COMMUNITY EDUCATION FOUNDATION
2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
for
FORMER HCS GRADUATES**

Due to the Hancock Central School Guidance Office by May 22, 2026

A. **Mandatory requirement checklist – Application will not be considered unless the application and the required documents, complete in every detail, are received at the HCS Guidance Office by 3:00 p.m. on May 22, 2026.**

- 1) Spring Semester Grades with proof of a 2.5 GPA _____
- 2) If you have not received your spring grades, please indicate that here and send them ASAP
Date you expect them _____
- 3) Proof of a minimum of 3 applications for scholarships, grants or financial aid from sources other than government or school attending. (FASFA Forms must be attached) _____

B. Student Information – Confidential

1. Name: _____

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|------|-------|----------------|
| Last | First | Middle Initial |
|------|-------|----------------|

2. Home Address: _____

3. Phone: (_____) _____ Date of Birth: _____ E-mail: _____

4. I intend to work while in school _____ Yes _____ No If yes, how many hours/week? _____
 Is having a job necessary? If so, explain _____

5. Amount of personal cash and savings for college: \$ _____

C. Parent/Guardian Information – Confidential

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|---|-------|-------|----------------|
| 1. Parent/Guardian: _____ | Last | First | Middle Initial |
| | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Marital Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | | |
| 3. Mother/Guardian Occupation/Employer: _____ | | | |
| 4. Father/Guardian Occupation/Employer: _____ | | | |
| 5. Home Phone: (_____) _____ | | | |
| Mother/Guardian Cell: (_____) _____ | | | |
| Father/Guardian Cell: (_____) _____ | | | |

1. Did you apply for the Excelsior Scholarship? Yes No
Do you have a determination? Yes No If yes, amount \$ _____

D. School Information

1. Have been accepted and plan to attend _____ for the term beginning _____ anticipated major _____

2. This is a: 2-Year College 4-Year College Technical School

E. Potential Resources

1. Resources

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| a. Personal Income | \$ _____ |
| b. Personal Savings | \$ _____ |
| c. Amount of Other Scholarships received to date | \$ _____ |
| d. Grants | \$ _____ |
| e. Student Loans | \$ _____ |
| f. College Loans/Parent | \$ _____ |
| g. Financial Aid Award | \$ _____ |
| h. Other | \$ _____ |
| Total | \$ _____ |

2. Expenses

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| a. Registration/Tuition | \$ _____ |
| b. Room and Board | \$ _____ |
| c. Books and Supplies | \$ _____ |
| d. Other, please list | \$ _____ |

Total \$ _____

Parent and Student Signatures

To the best of my knowledge, the information given above is true and accurate.

Date _____ Parent/Guardian _____

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Date _____ Student _____

I hereby accept the terms outlined in the Foundation's Criteria for awarding grants.

Student _____