**2023 Hutchinson News Future Journalist Scholarship**

Thank you for your interest in The Hutchinson News Future Journalist Scholarship, which has been established to help incoming college students in their quest to become professional journalists.

The scholarship is open to high school seniors who attend school in The Hutchinson News coverage area. Two scholarships will be awarded: a $2,000 winner and a $1,000 runner-up.

* Candidates must be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in a journalism, photojournalism or communications program at an accredited college or university, with preference given to journalism students.
* Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

**Candidates must include these required materials for consideration:**

* A completed application form (below)
* A separate one-page essay written by the applicant explaining why the applicant wants to pursue a career in journalism, photojournalism or communications.
* Three letters of reference – one must be from a current faculty member at the applicant’s high school.
* High school transcript
* Journalism and communications applicants should also send two writing samples for review; writing from a journalism class, creative writing class or an English composition class are acceptable submissions.
* Photojournalism applicants, in addition to their personal essay, must submit five photos, along with a detailed essay about at least one of the photos.

Preference will be given to students who have participated in The News’ mentorship program; extra preference will go to students who have interned at The News. However, an internship or participation in the mentoring program is not required to be considered for the scholarship.

The application deadline for the 2022-2023 school year is **March 24th by noon.**Please complete the application below and return it along with supporting materials to Hutchinson Community Foundation at the address listed.

**The Hutchinson News Future Journalist Scholarship application**

Name:

Address:

Phone number:

E-mail:

High School:

Graduation date:

College choice:

Parents name:

Parents address:

Parents phone number:

**Mail** this application form and the required materials listed in the guidelines to:

The Hutchinson News Future Journalist Scholarship

c/o The Hutchinson Community Foundation

PO Box 298

Hutchinson, KS 67504-0298

**Or**

**Hand deliver** application packets to:

Hutchinson Community Foundation

1 N. Main

First National Center

Suite 501

(take a left off of the elevator)

There is a locked drop box if office is closed.

**Deadline – Friday, March 24th (noon).** Contact Sarah Blake at Hutchinson Community Foundation with questions. (620-663-5293 or sarah@HutchCF.org)