

Family Readiness Group - 1st BN 161st FA Scholarship Guidelines

Scholarship

\$1,000 (renewable for three additional years if the recipient submits grade reports at the end of each academic year and maintains a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above)

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a child, grandchild, or descendant of a current or retired member or someone who has served at least one year as a member of the 1st BN 161 FA (referred to as Guard Sponsor on the application)
- Have and maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.5
- Have volunteer service (military or community) or work experience
- Have plans to attend an accredited post-secondary education program, not limited to a college or university

To Apply

- Complete the application form below and submit it along with:
 - One letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach, Girl or Boy Scout leader, 4H leader, or church leader.
 - An essay (up to 500 words) on ONE of the following topics:
 - What Freedom Means to Me
 - Why Free Speech is Important
 - The Importance of Having a National Guard
 - Why We need the Constitution and Bill of Rights
 - The Importance of the Second Amendment
 - The Importance of Having a Secure Border

Mail to:

Hutchinson Community Foundation
PO Box 298
Hutchinson, KS 67504-0298
Attn: Jan Steen

OR

Hand-deliver to:

Hutchinson Community Foundation
First National Center – 1 N. Main Hutchinson, KS 67501
5th Floor – Suite 501
If our office is closed, **use the locked drop box.**

Deadline:

Noon on Friday, March 27, 2026

Questions: Contact Jan Steen at 620-663-5293 or
Jan@HutchCF.org

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Application Form

This is a fillable form. Place your cursor in the grey boxes and use the tab key to move to the next field.
Submit this form along with your essay and letter of reference as noted in the scholarship guidelines.
Application materials are due by noon on **Friday, March 27, 2026**, at Hutchinson Community Foundation. (See address in the guidelines above.)

Your Name:

Full Address:

Phone Number:

High School:

Cumulative GPA:

Career or education focus:

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Name(s):

Name of Guard Sponsor:

Sponsor's full address:

Sponsor's phone number:

Sponsor's email address:

List High School Extracurricular Activities:

List Volunteer activities (Military, community, church - not based at school):

Are you employed?

If yes, please share where, how many hours/week and assigned duties?

List any specific financial considerations you wish to share with the selection committee.