

Montgomery County Community Foundation Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship 2011 Application

About the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program

The program will provide scholarships for full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$800 per year for required books and required equipment for four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at any Indiana public or private college or university accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

To be considered for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, you must meet the following requirements:

1. You must graduate by the end of June 2011 with a diploma from an accredited Montgomery County high school; and have been accepted to pursue a baccalaureate course of study, on a full time basis, at an accredited public or private college or university in Indiana.
2. You must be ranked in the top 10% of your graduating class and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.85 on a scale of 4.00 after seven semesters.
3. You must currently be a resident of Montgomery County, Indiana and have lived in Montgomery County, Indiana since August 2009.
4. You are not eligible to apply for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship if you are the child, grandchild, great grandchild, spouse, brother, sister, brother-in-law or sister-in-law of a person who during the last five years has served as a member of the Board of Directors, Scholarship Committee or Staff of the Montgomery County Community Foundation.
5. You are not eligible to apply for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship if you are currently participating in the 21st Century Scholar program.

The application process is designed for us to learn as much about you as possible. This is your opportunity to showcase your abilities and your experiences. Selection of scholarship finalists is based 60% on academic achievement and the essay and 40% on activities, leadership and the interview. If you are selected as a semi-finalist, you will be required to appear before the Board of Directors for an interview. Independent Colleges of Indiana will make the final scholarship selection and may award one scholarship to Montgomery County students.

Personal Statement

The personal statement will allow us to become acquainted with you in ways different from courses, grades, test scores, and other objective data. It will allow us to get to know you better as an individual. Through writing, the personal statement will demonstrate your ability to organize thoughts and express yourself. Your personal statement should be between 300 - 500 typed words and should address the following statement: ***Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and steps you have taken to address this challenge. Include whether you turned to anyone in facing the challenge, the role the person played, and what you learned about yourself.***

Checklist for Applicants:

- Completed application (signature required)**
- Official high school transcript – must include 7 semesters**
- SAT scores - accepted from official high school transcript or directly from SAT testing service**
- Personal Statement (must be on 8 1/2 x 11 standard white paper, no font smaller than a 10, do not include your name on the personal statement page)**

Confidentiality Statement: All personal information (i.e. name, sex, address, high school) will be blacked out. Your identity will remain anonymous to the selection committee unless you are selected to interview with the MCCF Board of Directors for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. **Please do not use identifying information except where specifically requested.**

Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m. Monday, January 10, 2011.

Applications may be dropped off at the MCCF office located at 119 East Main St. or mailed to:

Montgomery County Community Foundation
Attn: Scholarship Coordinator
P.O. Box 334
Crawfordsville, IN 47933

Questions: If you have questions regarding this application, please feel free to contact MCCF at 765-362-1267.

www.mccf-in.org

Please detach and keep this instruction sheet for your records

Application Instructions

Please read and follow all instructions carefully. Failure to follow instructions may eliminate your application from consideration.

- You must fill out your own application and write the personal statement or essay in your own words. It is acceptable to ask for proofreading and other help but *all work must be yours*.
- Include all requested materials (and only the requested materials) and fill out the application completely and accurately. Incomplete or unsigned applications will not be considered.
- Use the application form and the space provided *only*. Do not include attachments except as requested. (for example the personal statement)
- All pages of the application should be single-sided only. Do not use the back of pages to submit information; it will not be considered as part of your application unless our office has instructed you to put information on the back of a page.
- Please do not tape, staple, glue, or otherwise fasten any part of or anything to your application.
- The completed application should be submitted in a large envelope. Do not fold application.
- All materials, including references, transcripts, etc. must be received by the deadline or the application will not be considered. If written references are requested as a part of the application, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the references have been received.
- Please do not use identifying information except where specifically requested. Your identity will remain anonymous to the selection committee.
- Use the check list found on the cover page to be certain all items have been included in your scholarship application before turning it in to the committee.
- Do not use pencil to complete your application; print in ink or type.
- Please keep a copy of the application. We cannot provide copies of any application materials, including transcripts, financial information, and references, once submitted.

If you have questions, contact MCCF at 362-1267. Applications are available to download from the MCCF website at mccf-in.org.

Education Information

High School Grade Point Average _____ on a _____ scale (must include fall 2010 semester grades)

High School Diploma (circle one): Core 40 Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma

SAT Results

Enter the results of your SAT tests. (Maximum of 3) Enter the date that each test was taken. Enter the best score for each category in the best column. Enter the total for the best scores. If you are reporting only one set of scores, please insert them in column 3 and best column and mark the date with an asterisk (*).

	1	2	3	Best
Date test taken				
Sat Critical Reading				
SAT Math				
SAT Writing				
Total score of best scores				

College/University Choices

Please name your top three college/university choices. Also indicate your admission status (admitted, pending, denied admittance).

First choice _____ Admission status _____

Second choice _____ Admission status _____

Third Choice _____ Admission status _____

List your major _____ List your minor _____ List your anticipated profession _____

Educational Goals

Using only the space below, write a paragraph describing your educational goals including your current thoughts about your career and future.

Work Experience (including summer)

Employer	Position	Dates of Employment	No.Hrs./Wk.

Hobbies and Interests

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Required Statement for All Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Applicants

“If I receive this scholarship, it is my intent to pursue four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at an Indiana college.”

“I understand that the total amount of my scholarship is calculated on the basis of my chosen college’s tuition and required fees beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.”

“To assist with the processing of my scholarship payments each semester or quarter, and to avoid late fees, I will forward to the Montgomery County Community Foundation immediately upon receipt all invoices received for tuition and any eligible fees that may be covered by my scholarship.”

“I will account for and return to Independent Colleges of Indiana any amount of the special allocation for required books and required equipment remaining at the end of each school year.”

“I agree to notify Independent Colleges of Indiana of any scholarship awards I may receive for tuition or required fees from a source other than the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.”

“I will keep the Montgomery County Community Foundation apprised at the end of each term (semester or quarter) of my academic status by submitting an official grade report (1st term) and an official transcript (2nd term) within 14 days of receiving it.”

“I will keep the Montgomery County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of my enrollment and academic status during college, by completing and returning any surveys or forms as may be provided by the community foundation.”

“If selected, I will notify the Montgomery County Community Foundation no later than April 29, 2011, which college or university I will attend.”

“If selected, I will grant the Montgomery County Community Foundation permission to use photographs of me with or without my name for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising and Web content. I authorize the Montgomery County Community foundation to use and publish the same in print and /or electronically.”

“Upon graduation, I will keep the Montgomery County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of my education and /or employment status for at least ten years after graduation, by completing and returning an alumni survey or other forms as may be provided by the community foundation.”

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____