

2025-2026

# Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa



The Grand Commandery of Iowa Knights Templar of Iowa, whose office is located at P.O. Box 1 Victor, Iowa will be awarding several scholarships to high school seniors who will graduate this academic year from a public high school within the state of Iowa. The scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$2000.00.

The scholarships are designed to assist graduating seniors in pursuing a postsecondary education in any state at an accredited institution which provides a two- or four-year college program. The scholarships may be used for any bona fide school related expenses such as tuition, fees, and books.

Applicants need not have a Masonic connection, nor do race, creed, religion, color, sex, or national origin have any bearing in the selection process. Recipients are selected after completing a comprehensive written application.

A broad-based criterion is used in the selection process. The principal criterion is service to school and community with special emphasis upon leadership roles in these areas. The Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa is looking for those students who exhibit the greatest potential to be not only of service to their communities in the future but also leaders in these communities. An applicant's academic record, communication skills, and need for financial assistance are also carefully considered as is an evaluation of the applicant by a school official. The organization, appearance, and completeness of the application are also factors considered by the selection committee.

Public high school seniors who feel they meet the criteria for eligibility and selection are invited to submit applications. These applications may be obtained through the guidance department of any public high school and **must be postmarked no later than March 15th for the application and all supporting materials** in order to be considered by the committee.

Questions regarding applications and the scholarship program as well as completed applications should be directed to the:

**Educational Activities Committee  
Grand Commandery Knights Templar  
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## Scholarship Application

**This application must be postmarked no later than March 15th**

To the Applicant: Before completing this application, read the informational page which specifies the criteria for both eligibility and selection. Since the members of the Selection Committee have not met you and have only this application by which to evaluate you, carefully consider the content and completeness of your responses to the information being sought.

Additional pages of narrative or supporting documentation can be added to any section. This may include copies of newspaper clippings, photos, letters of recommendation from people within your school and/or community, and other materials which will give the Committee a better insight about you, your school, and your community activities. Please make copies. Do not submit materials you expect to be returned.

***You MUST sign and date your application at the bottom of this page in order to be considered complete and valid.***

### I. Identification Data

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants' High School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

## II. Academic Record:

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Rank in Class \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Class \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Score (if taken) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Taken \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Score (if taken) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Taken \_\_\_\_\_

Date when the above information was compiled \_\_\_\_\_

Sending an application with an "uncertified" copy is acceptable. If you are a successful applicant, please send a current "**certified**" transcript of your credits signed by a school official and embossed with official seal as soon as possible after notification of award.

If this information is not postmarked by this date, the application will be considered incomplete and will not be processed. If your school does not provide certified transcripts until after graduation, the transcript must be sent directly by the school with a letter stating the school policy.

***Please attach as many pages as needed to complete the following: (Please Type)***

## III. Personal Résumé:

Write about yourself, your home, family, interests, and your future educational or vocational plans in a way which will give the Committee the best picture of you as an individual. Do not include information requested in other sections of this application (two pages maximum).

## IV. Need for Financial Assistance:

Indicate how you plan to finance your post-secondary education. Relate any special circumstances which have a direct bearing on your need for financial assistance.

## V. School Activities

List those high school activities in which you have participated. After each activity indicate the grade(s) in which you participated by using the symbols 9, 10, 11, 12. Then list any leadership positions you may have held in this activity and indicate the grade (9, 10, 11, 12) when the position was held. Describe any special circumstances which may have limited your participation in school activities.

## VI. Community Service

Describe the ways in which you, as a volunteer, have been of service to your community in general and/or to certain people in your community in particular. This service may have been performed as a member of an organization and/or on your own as an individual. Silver Cord recipients, please list the activities that qualified you for the award. Indicate any leadership roles you may have had in this area. Describe any special circumstances which may have limited your participation in community service.

## VII. Evaluation by School Official (Superintendent, Principal, Teacher or Counselor):

Provide the following information, if known, about the applicant on official school stationery and either attach the letter to the application or forward it to the Committee under separate cover postmarked by **March 15th**. Be certain that the title of the school official is included and that the letter is signed.

1. Personal attributes.
2. Abilities, talents, and interests.
3. Scholarship, study habits, and probable success in college or vocational school.
4. Home and family.
5. Need for financial assistance.
6. Any pertinent or unusual factor(s) which should be considered by the Scholarship Selection Committee.

VIII. **Masonic Affiliation-**  YES  NO

**Explain:**