



**Century Lodge 492 -  
Independent Order of Odd Fellows**

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## **2026 Scholarship Application Form**

Please return completed application by

**May 8, 2026**

Email completed application to  
**CenturyLodgeScholarship@gmail.com**

**Century Lodge 492  
50 1/2 E Main St, Carpentersville, IL 60110  
(847) 428-3901**

## Century Lodge 492 Scholarship

The Century Lodge 492 Scholarship is awarded to honor scholars who exemplify an outstanding spirit in the areas of community service and leadership during his or her educational years. Five scholarships of \$1,000.00 each will be awarded.

### Century Lodge 492 is a fraternal organization committed to:

- Improving and elevating the character of mankind by promoting the principles of friendship, love, truth, faith, hope, charity and universal justice.
- Helping make the world a better place to live by aiding each other in times of need and by organizing charitable projects and activities that would benefit the less fortunate, the youth, the elderly, the environment and the community in every way possible.
- Promoting good will and harmony amongst peoples and nations through the principle of universal fraternity, holding the belief that all men and women regardless of race, nationality, religion, social status, gender, rank and station are brothers and sisters.
- Promoting a wholesome fraternal experience without violence, vices and discrimination of every form.

### Scholarship Award Eligibility Requirements Checklist:

- Applicant must be a high school student, a college student, or a student of an accredited vocational or trade school who is graduating from, or has already graduated from, a school in District 300.
- Applicant must be accepted to and planning to attend a college or accredited vocational or trade school, or attending college or an accredited vocational or trade school, in the award year.
- Awardees' biographical information and images may be shared for promotional and/or media releases.
- Century Lodge 492 members and their families are not eligible.
- Applications must be received by **May 8, 2026**.
- Applicants must be 18 years of age or older at the time the scholarship is awarded.
- Applicants must maintain a "B" average or better GPA at the time the scholarship is awarded.

### Scholarship Award Application Checklist

*Applicants must submit the following information for scholarship consideration:*

- General Information
- Academic Information
- Letter of Recommendation
- Essay



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Applicant's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Current High School, College, Vocational, or Trade School Name:

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Proof of GPA: Please attach documentation of current grades.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Name of person who will send letter of recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

- The letter must be from a non-family member, and must include the writer's name, position, and contact information.
- The letter should focus on the student's academic achievements, and may also include volunteer activities and other extracurricular achievements. The letter should be emailed to: CenturyLodgeScholarship@gmail.com

ESSAY TOPIC

**In your own words, please describe what you would do in the community at large to make the world a better place.**

ESSAY GUIDELINES

- \*Essays should be your original work.
- \* Essay should be typed and double-spaced.
- \* The essay should be a minimum of 500 words.