



Bennett Clayton Foundation Scholarship Program

THE PROGRAM AND ITS PURPOSE

The Bennett Clayton Foundation for Children with OI has established a scholarship program to assist students with Osteogenesis Imperfecta who plan to continue education in college or vocational school programs. Renewable scholarships are offered each year for full-time study at an accredited institution of the student's choice.

All phases of the program are independently managed by Scholarship Managers (SM) – a division of Career Opportunities Through Education, Inc. SM is a national non-profit organization with extensive experience in the management of scholarship program. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants to the Bennett Clayton Foundation Scholarship Program must be:

- Diagnosed as having Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) substantiated by a doctor's statement,
 - High School seniors and undergraduates who reside in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota or South Dakota,
 - Planning to enroll in full-time study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school for the entire upcoming academic year.
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AWARDS

Students who are or will be enrolled in a four-year accredited program may apply for a \$3,000 scholarship, eligible for renewal up to three additional years or until a Bachelor's degree or equivalent is earned, whichever comes first. Students who are or will be enrolled in a two-year program may apply for a \$1,500 scholarship, eligible for renewal for one year or until their program is completed, whichever comes first. Renewal is contingent upon satisfactory academic performance in full-time study and continuation of the program by The Bennett Clayton Foundation.

Awards are for undergraduate study only.

APPLICATION

Interested students must complete the attached application and mail it along with a current transcript of grades and a doctor's statement with diagnosis of OI to SM, postmarked no later than **April 15th**. Grade reports are not acceptable. Online transcripts must display student name, school name, grade and credit hours earned for each course, and term in which course was taken. Applicants will receive acknowledgment of receipt of their application via email. If an acknowledgment email is not received within 3 weeks, applicants may contact SM to verify that the application was received.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Applications are evaluated on the information supplied; therefore, answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. All information received is considered as confidential and is reviewed only by SM.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of goals and aspirations, personal statement, and unusual personal or family circumstances. Financial need is not considered.

Selection of recipients is made by SM. In no instance does any officer or employee of The Bennett Clayton Foundation play a part in the selection. All applicants agree to accept the decision as final.

Applicants will be notified **by early June**. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as recipients.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

SM processes scholarship payments on behalf of The Bennett Clayton Foundation. Payments are made in one installment on **August 1**. Checks are mailed to the recipient's home address and made payable to the school.

OBLIGATIONS

Recipients have no obligation to The Bennett Clayton Foundation. They are, however, required to supply SM with complete transcripts when requested and to notify SM of any changes of address, school enrollment, or other relevant information.

REVISIONS

The Bennett Clayton Foundation reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time, including termination of the program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the scholarship program should be sent to:

scholarshipmanagers@scholarshipmanagers.com