



**Grand Lodge of South Dakota
Independent Order of Odd Fellows
Scholarship – 2023**

Eligibility Requirements for IOOF Scholarship

To apply for the Grand Lodge of South Dakota – IOOF Scholarship, an applicant must:

Be a 3rd Degree Odd Fellow member of a local Odd Fellow Lodge or a member of a local Rebekah Lodge, or be a child or spouse of a member in good standing of a local Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge.

Be a senior in high school and/or hold a high school degree and/or be enrolled in an institution of higher education, must have a current GPA of 2.5 or better (not cumulative).

Scholarships are available to members who are residents of South Dakota and/or a student who will be attending an accredited institution - with preference given to SD institutions.

The applicant shall be endorsed by their Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge by having the signature of the Lodge Secretary and seal of the Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge affixed thereto showing they/their parent(s)/guardian(s)/spouse are members in good standing.

Disclaimers: Scholarship stipend is issued based upon funds being available and applicant meeting set criteria. Scholarship Applicants will have 4 years of eligibility for a Grand Lodge Scholarship.

Checks will be distributed to the Institution indicated on your application in August and will not be held over by the Grand Lodge for future semesters or quarters.

You will be responsible for notifying the Grand Lodge office of any changes in your plans by August 1st or risk losing the scholarship for this year, checks will not be re-issued to another institution without proper, timely notification given to the Grand Lodge Office.

Applicant must meet scholastic qualifications. Leadership qualifications and financial need form an essential part of the Education Committee's review process and reflect the objectives sought by the Education Committee.

How to Apply

Application forms for consideration to receive the Grand Lodge of South Dakota – IOOF Scholarship are available from any of the local Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodges, Education Committee Members, and the Grand Lodge of SD. Use the current **2023** application, previous versions will not be considered.

Completed applications must be sent by **March 1, 2023** -- **certified mail return receipt requested** to:

Grand Lodge of SD – IOOF
Education Committee
550 N 5th St Suite 103
Rapid City SD 57701

Questions: call or email the Grand Lodge Office:
1-605-719-7092 or glstdioof@gmail.com

Applications submitted by fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

General Information

Applications **must be** postmarked by **March 1, 2023** to be considered. Applications received postmarked after **March 1, 2023 will not** be considered.

Send only the documents and information requested on the application. Documents will not be returned.

IMPORTANT: Please read and follow all instructions carefully. Incomplete applications will not be considered. **Your ability to properly follow instructions will be considered in our selection process.**

The decisions of the Education Committee are final and confidential, all information submitted and contained in the applications will not be disclosed to anyone outside the scholarship committee.