



2025/2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Teresa Noelle Knabe was a light to all she met with her unique virtues of empathy and care for the vulnerable including the unborn and the elderly. Her Catholic faith was the guiding force of her life, fueling a spirit of selflessness and generosity. Teresa's ambitions included pursuing a degree in sonography with hopes of providing ultrasounds for expectant mothers. She passed away unexpectedly at the age of 18 following an epilepsy diagnosis several years prior. A primary purpose of this Foundation is to provide scholarships for individuals pursuing education in healthcare who embody Teresa's virtues of joy, empathy, and care for the vulnerable and marginalized. Scholarship recipients shall be awarded **\$2,000-\$4,000** based on alignment of these values.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ☐ Scholarship Application packet, printed, signed, and filled out
- ☐ Recent wallet-size picture of applicant paper clipped to top right corner of page 1
- ☐ Official transcript from most recent educational institution in a sealed envelope
- ☐ Official proof of acceptance (if not currently enrolled) from the educational institution you will attend
- ☐ 2 Letters of recommendation mailed directly to the Foundation *or* emailed to tnknabefoundation@gmail.com with the applicant's full name in the subject line

Mail this application and all necessary attachments to the following address by July 7, 2025:

Teresa Noelle Knabe Memorial Foundation
RE: Scholarships
5058 Pepper Drive
Rockford, IL 61114

It is agreed that:

1. The decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.
2. Additional personal and/or financial information will be provided to the committee if requested.
3. Scholarship funding is to defray the cost of all or part of the tuition, books, and fees, and will be paid to the college, university, or technical school which the scholarship recipient is attending.
4. In the event that the scholarship recipient elects not to continue education in the healthcare field, scholarship funding will no longer apply and any funds remaining must be returned to the Teresa Noelle Knabe Memorial Foundation.
5. The scholarship is valid for one school year and is potentially renewable for up to 4 years based on academic progress and continued demonstration of Teresa's values.

I agree to the terms above and hereby certify that the contents of this application are true and complete to the best of my ability. The Foundation may use my picture, full name, and application content at their discretion for promotional purposes (including, but not limited to, testimonies on the official website).

Applicant's signature

Date



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Gender: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of siblings: _____ Number of siblings currently enrolled in college: _____

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**EDUCATION**

Current Education Level (check one): ☐ high school senior ☐ undergraduate ☐ postgraduate

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Years Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Student ID number: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Educational Expenses for Upcoming School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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EXTRACURRICULAR AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

List pertinent organizations in which you have been active, awards or recognitions achieved, and their respective dates:

ESSAY 1 – GOALS IN THE FIELD OF HEALTHCARE

Describe why you have chosen to pursue an education in healthcare, your short and long-term goals in the field, and how this scholarship would enable you to achieve those goals.

(200-500 words)

*Print clearly or type and attach

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ESSAY 2 - ALIGNMENT OF VALUES

Teresa Knabe's love for God, expressed through her Catholic Faith, was the driving force of her life. She radiated Christ's love and joy to all she met, especially through her unique gifts of empathy and generosity. Teresa had a special heart for the most vulnerable in society, especially the unborn and the elderly.

How do you try to embody Teresa's cardinal virtues of empathy, generosity, and care for the most vulnerable, and how will these values influence your future work in the healthcare field?

(300-600 words)

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