



## **2026 Connolly Family Scholarship Application**

### **General Information**

#### **The Award**

A Kiwanis Connolly Family Scholarships will be awarded to one (1) graduating student from Conejo Valley High School (CVHS) who is part of the first generation in their family to attend college. The awardee will receive a one-year scholarship of \$1000.

#### **Use of Scholarship**

The scholarship is to be used for the recipient's tuition, fees, books, and miscellaneous expenses to further their academic or career education.

#### **Application**

The application form is included in this packet and is also available at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Website at [www.tokiwanis.org](http://www.tokiwanis.org) or at your school's college/career center. Completed application and supporting documents must be received via email or ground mail no later than 5 PM on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

1. This scholarship is open to:
  - a. CVHS students who wish to attend a trade, technical, or specialized school.
  - b. CVHS students who wish to pursue a Baccalaureate Degree.
  - c. CVHS students who wish to pursue an Associate Degree
  
2. The student, in the personal essay, should reflect on their high school experience and share their goals for the future.

#### **Eligibility**

Graduating Conejo Valley High School students who are part of the first generation in their family to attend college or trade school.



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### **Selection**

The final decision of awards will be made by the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee. Selection will be made primarily on the basis of application questions, personal essay, financial need, and a recommendation from a teacher or staff member at CVHS.

### **Presentation of Award**

Recipients will be notified by email. They will be honored and presented their award (a check made out to the student) at a regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks in May 2026. Recipients will also be recognized at their school's award night or graduation.

For questions about this application or its status, please contact the scholarship committee at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks via email at [scholarship@tokiwanis.org](mailto:scholarship@tokiwanis.org)

### **PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET TO:**

Email or mail Application Packet with Recommendation Letter and other required documentation to: **[scholarship@tokiwanis.org](mailto:scholarship@tokiwanis.org)** by April 1<sup>st</sup> 2026

OR: Must be received by Wednesday, April 1st, 2026, at the

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 1791  
Thousand Oaks, CA 91358



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**APPLICANT INFORMATION FORM**

Name (First, Middle, Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe further training or education plans for next school year:

By signing this document, you confirm the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified from this award.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Submit With Application**

1. Application Information Form
2. Personal Essay
  - a. Describe your high school journey
  - b. Tell us about your goals for the future
3. Letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor who has worked with you
4. Verification from school that you are on track to graduate



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**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
KIWANIS CLUB OF THOUSAND OAKS  
Connolly Family Scholarship**

Dear Teacher/Counselor/Staff,

This Conejo Valley High School student, \_\_\_\_\_, is applying for a Kiwanis Connolly Family Scholarship in the amount of \$1000.00. It will be awarded to a student that is the the first-generation attending college in their immediate family.

What can you share with us about this student's desire, performance, and personality traits? Financial need will also be considered. Please advise if appropriate for this student.

Please use the student's name in title of email and send your letter to: [scholarship@tokiwanis.org](mailto:scholarship@tokiwanis.org); OR place your letter in a **sealed** envelope before giving it to the student applicant. Include your name and position. Send the email or return the

sealed envelope to the applicant before March 31<sup>st</sup> 2026 to complete the

process. If mailed, please send it to: **Kiwanis Club of Thousand Committee, P.O. Box 1791, Thousand Oaks, CA 91358**

Thank you for your time and your assistance in this process.

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee