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Francis P. Hoffman Trade School Scholarship Application 2026

DUE DATE: March 13, 2026

This scholarship is funded by The Billie and Francis Hoffman Family Foundation and is awarded to individuals who are pursuing a degree or certificate in the "Trades". Fran believed that hard work and honest living reaped big rewards in one's life, and that a four-year undergraduate degree was not necessary for success. "Trades" as defined by the donor are listed below. Other "Trades" programs may be eligible for this scholarship, subject to approval of the Foundation.

Awards: (2) up to \$7,500.00 – possible renewable for previous scholarship recipients, potentially resulting in full tuition coverage. Total scholarship award, when factored in with any other scholarship funds received, does not exceed total cost of the program tuition for that year.

Guidelines:

1. Applicant must be a Crown Point High School senior who will graduate with their class in 2026, or an Alumni of Crown Point High School who is looking to advance themselves by learning a "trade, masters programs or other higher educational learning opportunities".
2. Applicant must attend an accredited Trade, Technical College or Institute located in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin or any other region of the United States.
3. Applicant must submit all requested information including this scholarship application, two Statement of Relationship and Attestation of Intent Forms, and a copy of their transcript, if applicable, by application deadline. GPA will not be the defining factor in awarding this application.
4. Applicant must verify the accuracy of all information by signing the application.
5. Applicant must NOT be selected for a FULL scholarship from another source. If an applicant is selected for a FULL scholarship, the applicant must forfeit this scholarship to the committee, so it can be awarded to the next eligible applicant. Applicant must inform the committee of any other scholarship money received in any attending year.
6. The application must be submitted on the forms provided with additional pages attached if necessary. The application must be typed and stapled in the upper left corner. Do not put in a binder. Place application, references and transcript in a large (i.e. 9"x12" or 10"x13") sealed envelope.
7. Awardees shall submit their receipts for expenses no later than December 31, 2026. This award will be forfeited if not claimed by December 31, 2026.

Statement of Relationship and Attestation of Intent Letter Guidelines:

Two letters are required.

NO letter will be accepted by an immediate family member (no parents or siblings). BOTH reference letters should be signed and returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes.

Application Deadline:

Delivered to the Crown Point High School guidance office by the end of school Friday, March 13, 2026.

Award Notification:

Scholarship recipients will be notified at the senior awards ceremony on May 6th, 2026.

Application Checklist:

- *Is the application fully completed, proofread and printed or typed?
- *Does the final packet include two letters of reference, signed and in sealed envelopes?
- *Is a copy of the applicant's transcript in the packet?
- *Is the final packet clearly identified on the outside with **Francis Hoffman Trade School Scholarship Application 2026?**
- *Is the answer to your future printed or typed.

Statement of Relationship and Attestation of Intent:

I, (_____), have known Applicant for (_____) number of years and believe he/she has the ambition and ability to complete the education and training necessary to become a certified auto mechanic, tool reimbursement, construction trades, graphic arts, engineering, architecture, robotics and similar fields of study.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

I, Applicant, attest my ambition and ability to complete the education and training necessary to become a (______).

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Verification Statement:

I accept the guidelines of this scholarship application and understand the decision of the Crown Point Alumni Association Board of Directors is final. There is no process for appeal. I understand that if I receive this scholarship and I am awarded a full scholarship from another source that I must notify the Association and forfeit the scholarship so that it can be awarded to the next eligible applicant. I certify that I have personally prepared this application for a submission that the information provided is correct, and that all requested information is attached.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Middle Initial or Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Name of Parent/s/Guardian: _____

Overall Grade Point Average: _____

Graduation Date: _____

I plan to attend: _____

(Name and location of Post secondary Educational Institution)

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Broad Categories of additional Eligible Trades:

Information Technology

Manufacturing

Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

Finance

Architectural/Structural Engineering