



# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKAGE



*Lincoln Trail College  
Lincoln Trail College Foundation  
Scholarships*

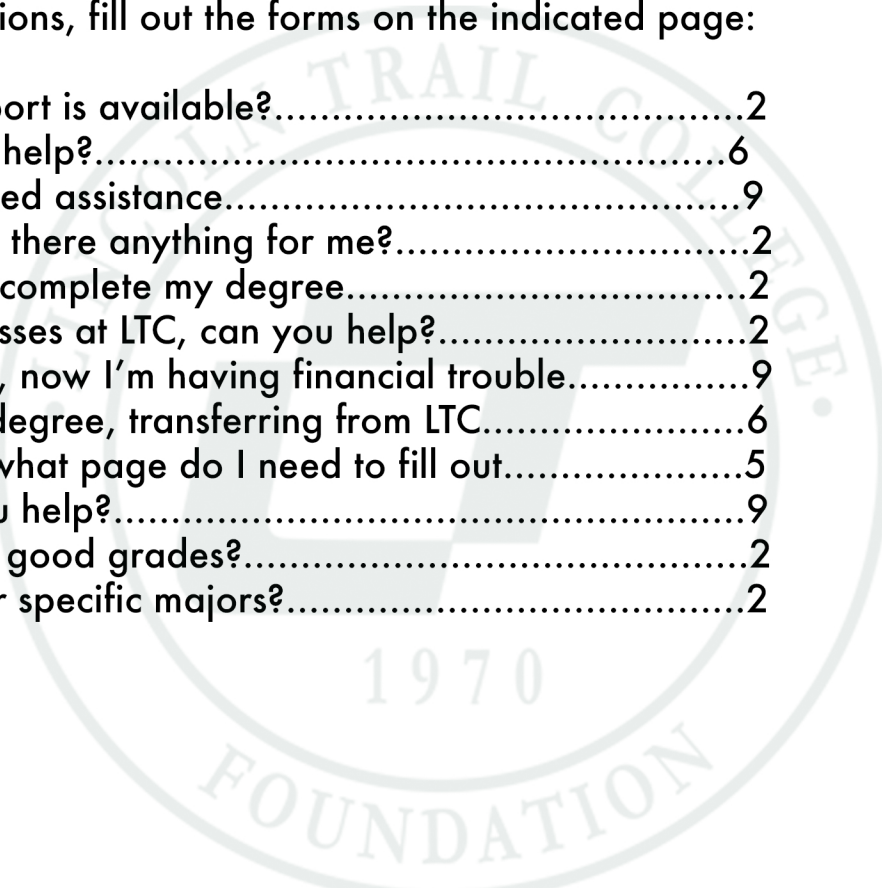


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## **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT LINCOLN TRAIL COLLEGE**

Lincoln Trail College prides itself on offering an educational experience that is among the best in the nation\* at a price that is the most accessible in the state. We want higher education to be accessible to everyone. Both the college and the Lincoln Trail College Foundation have a variety of **scholarships and awards** available for area residents. Whether you are a high school student, current LTC student, or someone who is thinking about coming back to school, we have options available for you. Please review the section below that best describes your current situation.

### **I am thinking about enrolling at LTC and want to know what support is available.**

Student loans are one of the fastest growing categories of consumer debt in the nation. There is a better way forward at Lincoln Trail College. Our **merit-based** scholarships are highly competitive and are awarded to students who have distinguished themselves through their performance in and out of the classroom. Our **need-based** scholarships include financial aid and scholarships that consider both the academic merit and financial needs of students. Attending college can be an expensive proposal, and our need-based scholarships are intended to help cover some of the costs associated with earning your degree or certificate.

### **MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS**

Lincoln Trail College makes four primary merit-based scholarships available for high-school seniors; 1) The Crawford County Award for Excellence (CCAЕ), 2) The Presidential Academic Scholarship Award (PASA), 3) The Student Academic Scholarship Award (SASA), 4) Principal's Choice Award (PCA). CCAЕ and Principal's Choice Awards require no application.

The Lincoln Trail College Foundation also has several merit based scholarships available for any student who is considering enrolling at LTC. You don't need to apply for a specific scholarship, but your letter should make a concerted effort to inform the committee how your background makes you a candidate for merit-based aid. **Everyone who wants to be considered for a merit-based scholarship should complete the General Scholarship Application (page 2) by the specified deadlines.** Please note - only a limited number of PASA and SASA scholarships are awarded, and students are highly encouraged to submit their application by the **priority deadline**.

### **NEED-BASED AID**

The generous support of friends and alumni of Lincoln Trail College allows the Foundation to offer a variety of scholarships to help you pay for college. If you need assistance in covering the cost of attendance – large or small – you should complete the **General Scholarship Application (page 2) by the specified deadlines**. A limited pool of money is available every year. You are strongly encouraged to complete your application before the **priority deadline**.

### **OTHER**

Our financial aid office is here to assist students in putting together a financial aid package that could include a mix of federal, state, institutional and private aid. *Some sources of aid, like certain Foundation scholarships, the Monetary Award Program (MAP), and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) have limited pools of money available that go to the **students who apply first**.* All graduating high school students should visit the Lincoln Trail College Financial Aid office **as soon as possible** to explore the types of state or federal aid that may be available.

### **I'm a current Lincoln Trail College student.**

Current LTC students should maintain excellent communication with their academic advisor and the financial aid office to remain informed of scholarships that are available to them. Current students are eligible for support based on academic performance or financial need. The **General Scholarship Application (page 2)** lists the deadlines for applying.

### **I have an emergency and I need help.**

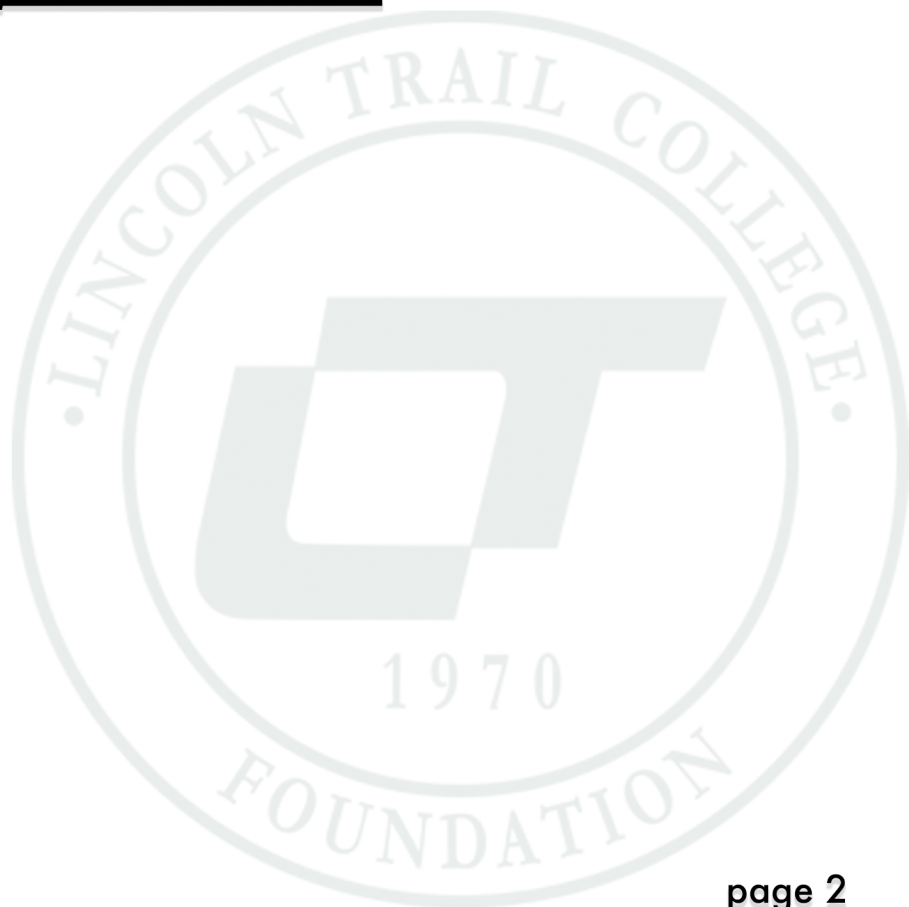
The **IMPROVING LIVES SCHOLARSHIP (page 9)** is available to residents of **Crawford County only** who are enrolled at Lincoln Trail College. The primary focus of this scholarship is to address the financial hurdles associated with continuing education. Preference will be given to single parents with financial needs associated with childcare/daycare expenses; however all **unanticipated** financial needs that are prohibiting Crawford County residents from achieving educational goals will be considered during the awarding process of this scholarship. Award amounts will vary based on the needs of the selected candidates.

### **I am graduating LTC and I'm not sure how I'm going to pay for the next two years of school.**

The Foundation offers the **Clara Mullen Memorial Scholarship (page 6)**. This is a scholarship available to a Crawford County High School graduate who also graduated from Lincoln Trail College and will be working toward a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts Degree. This is a merit-based scholarship in which the student is required to maintain a minimum GPA of 3.25.



# **General Scholarship** **Application**



# General Application Requirements

Please make sure all boxes are checked before turning in the Lincoln Trail College/Lincoln Trail College Foundation Scholarship application. Thank you!

- Completed and **signed** scholarship application
- Personal letter of academic and professional goals  
(additional information may include: honors, activities, financial need, why you want/deserve this scholarship, etc.)
- Letter of support/recommendation
- FAFSA completed at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)
- Meet priority deadline of 2nd Friday in **January**  
(If awarded you will be notified first week in February)
- Meet Final deadline of 2nd Friday in **March**  
(Note: priority will be given to early applicants. You will be notified first week of April if you have been awarded a scholarship)
- Summer school application due date 2nd Friday in **April**

**Incomplete applications will not be accepted!**

*If you have any questions please call us:  
Lincoln Trail College Foundation 618.544.2373  
Lincoln Trail College 618.544.8657*

*You can find more information at [www.lincolntrailcollegefoundation.com](http://www.lincolntrailcollegefoundation.com)  
Please return completed checklist with application to Lincoln Trail College  
Financial Aid Department*



# STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM



## INSTRUCTIONS: (READ CAREFULLY)

1. Please print clearly the following information. Turn in completed application **by deadline**, with all applicable signatures, to Financial Aid Office. If this form is incomplete, inaccurate, or not signed it will **NOT** be considered.
2. College/Foundation requires an attached written statement/letter explaining applicant's academic goals, future career plans, honors/activities, why you want/deserve this scholarship and if relevant, information pertaining to financial need may be included. A letter of recommendation will also be required to be considered.
3. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need and academic merit, however, if not returned/postmarked by 2nd Friday in January applicant will not be given priority status.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (will be used to contact)

Where will you be living while attending school:  on campus  at home  off campus  other: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s) AND Occupation(s):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Current Student at LTC  Current High School Student  Returning Student  Summer school student

Grad from Crawford County School? \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation year: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrolling at LTC as:  Full-time student  Part-time student Are you the first person in your family to attend college? \_\_\_\_\_

Major/Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_  Vocational  Transfer

Enrolling as student athlete? Yes / No If yes, which sport: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all information is correct and that if awarded a scholarship, Lincoln Trail College is hereby granted permission to release this information for publication for a period of one year from the date stated below. Also, my signature below gives permission for my high school to provide any academic information requested on this application form. I authorize Lincoln Trail College to provide information pertaining to my enrollment status, hours enrolled, grades, financial assistance, tuition and fees to the director of the Lincoln Trail College Foundation.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize Lincoln Trail College Foundation (LTCF) and Lincoln Trail College (LTC) to contact me at my current and any future cellular phone number(s), email address(es) or wireless device(s) regarding general information from LTCF or LTC. I understand that I am responsible for keeping LTCF/LTC records up to date with my current physical addresses, email addresses and phone numbers by contacting the offices.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit completed form, letter/statement and letter of recommendation to:

Lincoln Trail College  
attn: Financial Aid Dept.  
11220 State Highway 1  
Robinson, IL 62454  
618.554.8657



This page to be submitted by:

# High School Seniors ONLY



This section to be completed by principal or guidance counselor

This is to certify that at the end of the 7th semester this student ranked

in a class of

students.

This students' cumulative GPA is

on a

scale.

## Test Scores

### ACT SUBJECT SCORES:

English: \_\_\_\_\_

Math: \_\_\_\_\_

Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Science Reasoning: \_\_\_\_\_

Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_

### SAT SCORES:

Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_

Math: \_\_\_\_\_

Combined ACT english/writing score (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

### COMPASS SCORES:

Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Numerical: \_\_\_\_\_

Writing Skills: \_\_\_\_\_

## Signatures

Principal/Guidance Counselor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit this form with your application to LTC Financial Aid Dept.



# **Transfer Scholarship** **Application**





# LTC graduate transfer scholarship requirements

## *Clara Mullen Memorial Scholarship*

- \$2,000 scholarship
- Must have a 3.25 GPA (minimum)
- Graduated from a Crawford County High School
- Graduate from Lincoln Trail College who will be working toward a Bachelor of science or Bachelor of Arts Degree.

*Please include the following items and checklist with application:*

- Completed and signed scholarship application
- Transcript from Lincoln Trail College
- Meet deadline of 1st Friday in **June**.  
(priority given to early applicants)
- Notifications, if selected, will be e-mailed to the applicant no later than the last Friday in **June**.

**Incomplete applications will not be accepted!**

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618.544.2373*

*You can find more information at [www.lincolntailcollegefoundation.com](http://www.lincolntailcollegefoundation.com)*

*Please return completed checklist with application to*

**Lincoln Trail College Foundation**

# CLARA MULLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Lincoln Trail College Graduate Transfer Scholarship Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (will be used to contact)

School you are enrolled/enrolling: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point average: (please include transcript): \_\_\_\_\_

Planned Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Date you plan to complete this degree: \_\_\_\_\_

What degree(s), if any, do you already hold? (list degree, major and school):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## **PLEASE ATTACH:**

\_\_\_ Completed Application Form

\_\_\_ Current Transcript

If approved by committee, applicant will receive this award AFTER sending in a class schedule from his/her new institution.

I certify that the information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the committee's decision will be final.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant is responsible for the timely submittal of the application to the Lincoln Trail College Foundation.

P.O. Box 737 Robinson, IL 62454 618.544.2373



**Improving Lives**  
**Scholarship**  
**Application**

*(unanticipated urgent financial need)*



# Urgent financial need scholarship requirements

## *Improving Lives Scholarship*

This scholarship is funded through the United Way of Crawford County and the Lincoln Trail College Foundation. It is intended to help those who have unanticipated circumstances that may keep them from their pursuit of higher education at Lincoln Trail College.

### **PURPOSE:**

The IMPROVING LIVES SCHOLARSHIP is available to residents of **Crawford County only**. Students (current or prospective) enrolling at Lincoln Trail College pursuing educational advancement in any of the following programs of study are eligible: GED, Certificate, 2 year Degree or Transfer Degree. The primary focus of this scholarship is to address the financial hurdles associated with continuing education. Preference will be given to single parents with financial needs associated with childcare/daycare expenses; however all **unanticipated** financial needs that are prohibiting Crawford County residents from achieving educational goals will be considered during the awarding process of this scholarship. Award amounts will vary based on the needs of the selected candidates. In rare cases an interview may be requested.

Please include the following items and checklist with application:

- Completed and signed** Improving Lives scholarship application  
(See next page)
- Letter of recommendation/support
- Personal Letter to Foundation scholarship committee describing:
  - The unanticipated circumstances causing need for assistance
  - Your specific financial hurdles that are prohibiting your educational goals
  - The amount of assistance you are requesting to achieve your educational goals



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# IMPROVING LIVES SCHOLARSHIP application



United Way  
of Crawford County

MEASURABLY IMPROVING LIVES BY IDENTIFYING HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE NEEDS AND UNITING THE RESOURCES OF DONORS, VOLUNTEERS, AGENCIES, AND THE COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS THOSE NEEDS.

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Must be a Crawford County resident
- Must be a current or prospective LTC student pursuing: (circle one)  
Degree      Certificate      GED
- Must have an unanticipated financial need prohibiting student from achieving academic goals.

### REQUIREMENTS:

- Completed Form
- Letter of recommendation
- Personal Letter to Foundation scholarship committee describing:
  - Your specific financial hurdles that are prohibiting your educational goals
  - The unanticipated circumstances causing need for assistance
  - The amount of assistance you are requesting to achieve your educational goals

### APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: / / \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Permission to text this number: (circle one) YES or NO

Marital Status:  Married  Single      Is out-of-pocket **childcare expense** necessary for you to be able to attend college? YES or NO

If Yes, please fill out the following: Number of children \_\_\_\_\_ Name of licensed childcare provider \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly cost for childcare \_\_\_\_\_ Do you receive benefits from Project Child? YES or NO

Have you received any other scholarships or financial assistance while attending Lincoln Trail College? YES or NO

If yes, please list source and amount: \_\_\_\_\_

### CIRCUMSTANCE OF SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST:

Unanticipated life event/expense: (please address in letter as well) \_\_\_\_\_

Requested amount: \_\_\_\_\_ If awarded, assistance will be used for: \_\_\_\_\_

If used for tuition & fees, account balance after ALL financial aid pays: \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Lincoln Trail College attn: Financial Aid Dept. 11220 State Highway 1 Robinson, IL 62454