



2026 Scholarship Application

Name _____ Birthday _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Address (if different from above) _____

Name of School currently attending _____

Graduation Date _____ GPA _____

College or Post secondary school _____

Intended major or area of interest _____

Your application will be evaluated based on the following areas:

1. **Activities/Community Involvement**
Include a typewritten summary outlining school, extracurricular, civic, religious, volunteer, and special interest activities. Briefly describe your involvement in each activity including average hours per week/month/year devoted to each activity. List each activity separately. List work history, length of employment at each position and number of hours worked.
2. **Character**
Write a brief essay describing yourself, including your goals, values and why you feel you are deserving of this scholarship. Attach two personal recommendations regarding character, dependability and other distinguishing characteristics of the applicant.
3. **Need**
Briefly describe your need for this scholarship.
4. **Academic**
GPA is not a primary consideration for this scholarship. We encourage all students, regardless of GPA, to apply for this scholarship.

Finalists may be asked to appear for a personal interview.

This scholarship is only available to graduating high school seniors who attend an accredited South Dakota college, university, vocational technical school, or community college on a full-time basis. The student, or their parent(s), must be a customer of Plains Commerce Bank.

All applications must be submitted by April 10th, 2026 to:

Christopher Swiden, Market President, Plains Commerce Bank, 109 1st Ave SE – Watertown, SD – 57201
All requirements listed above must be met or it may result in disqualification of the applicant