



VAN DYNE LIONS CLUB

Van Dyne Lions Club
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Subject: \$1,000 Scholarships for senior high school students 2026

February 10, 2026

Are you a graduating senior in the spring of 2026?

Do you live in the Van Dyne Fire Department District in the Town of Friendship?

Do you live in the Van Dyne Fire Department District in the Town of Black Wolf?

Do you attend Horace Mann High School in North Fond du Lac?

Do you have a parent or grandparent who is a member of the Van Dyne Lions Club?

The Van Dyne Lions Club has set aside \$3,000 to give out three \$1,000 high school senior scholarships who are graduating in the spring of 2026.

- 1. Available to those living in the Van Dyne Fire Department District in the Town of Friendship**
- 2. Available to those living in the Van Dyne Fire Department District in the Town of Black Wolf**
- 3. Available to those senior high students attending Horace Mann High School-North Fond du Lac.**
- 4. Available to a senior high student whose parent or grandparent is a member of the Van Dyne Lions Club and are graduating from a high school listed: St. Mary's Springs Academy, WLA, Lourdes-Oshkosh, Oshkosh West, Oshkosh North, Fond du Lac High School, Laconia High School, Valley Christian High School, Trinity Baptist School, and Fond du Lac Christian School.**

Please **notify** those students who meet our criteria that they may apply if they plan to attend college full time. They are all encouraged to apply as the judges read over the applications carefully. **Applications are due by April 11, 2026.** They have to give time to those who are writing up two recommendations – a teacher and one person (not a family member) as they are also due by April 11, 2026.

You may make copies of the forms that are enclosed. If you want the forms sent over the computer by e-mail, email Lion Marge at margewerner73@gmail.com or call [920-410-2475](tel:920-410-2475). I will send the forms back to you and you can forward it to the student.

Thank you.

The Van Dyne Lions Scholarship Committee

Lion Kristin Pollack Chair Lion Marge Werner Co Chair

Lion John Sullivan Lion Walter Schmid

Lion Julie Aigner Lion Ann Cross

Lion Marge Werner

2026 VANDYNE LIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

Students – Please read these sheets carefully. You don't have to be a straight A student. One year the scholarship went to a student who graduated 87th in his class but the personal statement and the recommendations is what drew the judges to select him as the recipient of the scholarship. A student never knows unless they apply.

I. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Van Dyne Lions Club is sponsoring three \$1000 scholarships for seniors who will be graduating in May or June of 2026.
- The intent of these scholarships is to give recognition and financial support to a student that she or he may further their education beyond high school.
- The student must attend college full time.
- A certificate of recognition will be presented to the scholarship recipient at the high school awards ceremony if fitting.
- Scholarship will be paid upon receipt of transcript showing completion of the first semester and proof of registration for the second semester.
- **The Van Dyne Lions Scholarship Application Forms must be used and the directions must be followed. Incomplete or additional forms will not be accepted.**
- Decisions of the Scholarship Committee is final.

II. SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the following student criteria:

1. Educational data
2. Activities in school and community
3. Role of the scholarship in your education
4. Letters of recommendation
5. **Personal statement with educational and career goals in their own handwriting. Very important part of application.**

III. APPLICANT MUST READ THE FOLLOWING AND FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES

1. Reside in the Van Dyne Fire District of the Town of Friendship, the Van Dyne Fire District of the Town of Black Wolf, or be a student at Horace Mann High School-North Fond du Lac.
For instance, they can live in the Town of Black Wolf and attend Winnebago Lutheran Academy in FDL, St. Mary's Springs Academy FDL, or Lourdes Academy in Oshkosh, etc., the student would be eligible to apply.
2. **Submit an original certified school transcript showing rank in graduating class with the application.** Applications without this requirement **WILL NOT BE** considered.
3. Have **one teacher and one person** (not a family member) send a letter of recommendation by **April 11, 2026** to:
Van Dyne Lions Scholarship Committee
c/o Lion Marge Werner
3281 D Elk Ridge Drive
Oshkosh WI 54904
4. Return the application by **April 11, 2026** to:
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3281 D Elk Ridge Drive
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email: margewerner73@gmail.com phone: 920-410-2475

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C. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT / WORK EXPERIENCE

List present and past volunteer work and employment experience beginning with your most recent job.

Grade Grade Grade Grade

Job Title and Duties	Name and Type of Business	9	10	11	12

D. Do you plan to do outside work while attending school? _____ Yes _____ No

Explain briefly _____

What other scholarships have you applied for? _____

E. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Statement should be no more than 300 words in your own handwriting with signature, on a separate page and attached to the application. The following items should be addressed:

1. Career aspirations
2. Education plan
3. Why you want to receive the scholarship
4. What you learned from volunteer/work experience
5. Explain how your education will be financed, including loans, family assistance, your own savings, scholarships, etc.

F. Recommendation:

Please list the name (s) of the teacher and other individual you have asked to submit recommendations (and the subject they teach, if applicable):

a. _____

b. _____

CERTIFICATION: I certify that all information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to submit documentation of stated on this application. If an award is granted to me, I agree to allow my name, intended major and related information to be used for publicity purposes. I understand that the decision of the committee is final.

Signed and dated _____