



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

Independence Bank will be awarding over 50 scholarships totaling over \$90,000 to area high school seniors. Seniors who wish to apply need to either attend high school *or* live in one of the following counties: Calloway, Daviess, Franklin, Graves, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, Jefferson, McCracken, McLean, Warren, Webster. Listed below are the scholarships available in 2017. *All scholarship applications will be judged on high school grades to date, ACT scores, extracurricular activity and community involvement, scholarship essays and financial need.*

- (1) **Charles A. Reid \$10,000 Scholarship** (*Open to all seniors in our 12 county footprint*)
- (1) **Maurice E. Reisz \$10,000 Memorial Scholarship** (*For students pursuing Pharmacy degree only*)
- (1) **Guy Reisz \$10,000 Memorial Scholarship** (*For students attending KWC only*)
- (1) **Chairman's \$5,000 Scholarship** (*Given to a finalist of Charles A Reid Scholarship*)
- (1) **Ernie & Martine Davis \$3,000 Scholarship** (*Given to a finalist of Charles A Reid Scholarship*)
- (1) **Lanham Family \$3,000 Scholarship** (*For students pursuing a Business degree only*)
- (12) **Maurice E. Reisz \$500 Scholarships** (*Given to finalists of Charles A Reid Scholarship*)
- (11) **Ernie & Martine Davis \$500 Scholarships** (*Given to finalists of Charles A Reid Scholarship*)
- (1) **Independence Bank Agriculture \$5,000 Scholarship** (*Must complete AG Essay*)
- (1) **Derek Hart Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 Scholarship** (*Graves County HS Students Only*)
- Calloway County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$4,500** (*Calloway Students only*)
- Daviess County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$8,000** (*Daviess Students only*)
- Franklin County Community Board Scholarship totaling \$1,000** (*Franklin Students Only*)
- Graves County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$2,500** (*Graves Student Only*)
- Hancock County Community Board Scholarship totaling \$1,500** (*Hancock Students Only*)
- Henderson Community Board Scholarship totaling \$4,500** (*Henderson Students Only*)
- Hopkins County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$2,000** (*Hopkins Students Only*)
- Jefferson County Community Board Scholarship totaling \$1,000** (*Jefferson Students Only*)
- McCracken County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$3,000** (*McCracken Students Only*)
- McLean County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$2,000** (*McLean Students Only*)
- Warren County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$2,500** (*Warren Students Only*)
- Webster County Community Board Scholarships totaling \$2,000** (*Webster Students Only*)

Enclose with this application...

- 1) Typed essay not to exceed one page on the 2017 Essay and/or the Agriculture Essay
- 2) Copy of high school transcript to date (**No Staples and Front Side only**)
- 3) Copy of most recent ACT scores (Can be included on transcript)

2017 Essay - This essay qualifies the student for all scholarships EXCEPT the Independence Bank Agriculture \$5,000 Scholarship.

Choose 1 essay from the following topics:

1) What life experiences have shaped who you are today and what challenges have you overcome or anticipate needing to overcome achieving your education goals?

2) If you had the opportunity to have a 30 minute conversation with one person (either living or deceased), who would it be? Why? What topics would you discuss with that person?

Agriculture Essay - This essay **only** qualifies the student for the Independence Bank Agriculture \$5,000 Scholarship. (In order to apply for all other scholarships, please submit the 2017 Essay.) ***This scholarship will go to a student with a farming background whom intends to pursue an agriculture related degree.***

Complete the essay from the following topic:

1) Across the U.S., family farms face the problem of being pushed out by new business development. Do you feel this will be an issue moving into our rural communities now or in the next 10 years?

All of the above must be postmarked or delivered by February 21st to:

Mrs. Lauren Patton
Independence Bank
2425 Frederica St.
Owensboro, KY 42301

All scholarships will be paid in the Fall of 2017 directly to the college or university of the student's choice, except the Charles A. Reid \$10,000 Scholarship, Maurice E. Reisz Memorial \$10,000 Scholarship and the Guy Reisz Memorial \$10,000 Scholarship that will each be paid at \$2,500 per year for 4 years beginning in the fall of 2017, as long as the student is enrolled full time and maintains at least a 3.2 GPA. Recipients of these scholarships must send their grades to Lauren Patton at Independence Bank at the end of each school year in order to receive the following year.

Finalists for the Charles A. Reid \$10,000 Scholarship will be notified on or before March 15, 2017.

Personal interviews will be conducted with a scholarship finalist from each county. Finalists will be called to schedule an interview that will take place on Wednesday, March 22nd. Finalists must attend the interview in order to be eligible for the Charles A. Reid \$10,000 Scholarship. There will be an awards ceremony to follow that evening for ALL scholarship recipients. We would like to invite family, guidance counselors & principals to this award ceremony as well.

If you have any questions when completing this application you can contact the representative listed below of your guidance counselor.

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2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All applications must be postmarked or dropped off by February 21, 2017.

(Please print or type - this application form used for ALL scholarships)

Student's Name _____ High School _____

Student's Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Cell Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Parent's Names _____ Email Address _____

College Choice _____ Anticipated Major _____

The best way to reach me is: Cell Phone Text message Email My Alternate Number

Highest ACT Score _____ GPA _____ Class Rank _____

List up to five extracurricular activities from high school and/or work experience.

1. _____ Years Involved _____
2. _____ Years Involved _____
3. _____ Years Involved _____
4. _____ Years Involved _____
5. _____ Years Involved _____

List up to five community service activities.

1. _____ Years Involved _____
2. _____ Years Involved _____
3. _____ Years Involved _____
4. _____ Years Involved _____
5. _____ Years Involved _____

Choose 1 essay from the following topics & attach a 1 page typed essay:

1) What life experiences have shaped who you are today and what challenges have you overcome or anticipate needing to overcome achieving your education goals?

2) If you had the opportunity to have a 30 minute conversation with one person (either living or deceased), who would it be? Why? What topics would you discuss with that person?

If applying for the AG Scholarship please include a 1 page essay on the following topic:

Across the U.S., family farms face the problem of being pushed out by new business development. Do you feel this will be an issue moving into our rural communities now or in the next 10 years?

