



Joyce H. Power Scholarship 2026-27 Guidelines

Scholarship Information

The Joyce H. Power Scholarship Endowment was generously established in December 2022 by Joyce H. Power. The scholarship will provide post-secondary scholarship opportunities for students who have lost one or both of their parents by death, have shown outstanding personal and academic achievement, and plan to pursue a post-secondary education at an accredited college or university.

Eligibility Criteria

1. High school senior scheduled to graduate from a high school on Hilton Head Island and who is a legal resident of Beaufort County.
2. Applicants must demonstrate outstanding academic accomplishments.
3. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale or the equivalent on an alternate scale.
4. **Submission Summary** from the FAFSA - showing Student Aid Index or a written statement explaining why Federal Aid was not applied for, uploaded into the online application.
5. Applicants must provide a copy of their ACT or SAT test scores. Student copies are acceptable.
6. Applicant must provide a resume or CV highlighting academic and extra-curricular activities.

Application Requirements

1. A completed [online scholarship application](#).
2. Typed essay (approximately 600 words) typed into the online application answering the following:
 - a. *How has the loss of one or both parents affected your life and how will this scholarship help you achieve your goals?*
3. An official copy of the applicant's most recent transcript(s) showing grades for at least two years, **uploaded into application via 3rd party email from the student's counselor or teacher**.
4. **One recommendation letter completed and uploaded into the online application via 3rd party email**.
5. A resume or CV highlighting academic and extra-curricular activities.
6. Selected finalist may be asked to attend a personal interview with the Joyce H. Power Scholarship Endowment Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Type	Undergraduate/Post-Secondary	How to Apply	Click Here
Award	Varied, may have multiple recipients	Deadline	March 2, 2026

Selection of Recipients

The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients (subject to approval by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry Board of Directors). Scholarship funds will be awarded to cover educational costs for: tuition/fees, room and board, and books. Specific costs to be covered will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin.

Announcement of Scholarship Awards

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will send an official award letter and related information to each recipient. A public announcement of scholarship recipients may be arranged by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Recipients may be further recognized through Awards Day programs at their schools.

Distribution of Scholarship Funds

The Community Foundation will advise all scholarship recipients of the distribution method of scholarship awards and review the students' responsibilities to the Scholarship Program they have been selected for. These responsibilities may include sending transcripts at the end of the year for renewable scholarships, and providing notification of all address changes or changes in student status or enrollment. In accordance with the Community Foundation's policy, scholarship funds will be paid in the form of a check made payable to the college/school of the scholarship recipient. Checks will be mailed to the college/school. Notification of payment will be sent to the scholarship recipient.