The Gerber Foundation Newaygo County Career Tech Center Scholarship

Who May Apply: High school seniors graduating from one of the career programs at the Newaygo County Career Tech Center (NCCTC) and pursuing higher education through an accredited program (including a 13th year at NCCTC).

Value: $1,000 for post-secondary education. Scholarship may be used for tuition, books, or required course fees, tools and equipment, certificate and licensing exam fees, and apprenticeship program fees.

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Application Submission Deadline: February 28 of each year at 4pm ET.

Online registration and login. Once registered students will be able to keep track of their information for the entire scholarship process from application to award in the online account.

- Go to https://gerberfoundation.smartsimple.com to register and login.
- Register using the Scholarship Registration button on the lower left of the Login Page.
  - First, in the Organization Name box on the registration page, type and select: NCCTC
  - Second, complete the remaining student personal information. Use a non-school email you monitor regularly. After you submit your registration information the system will email a temporary password to login to the application for the first time.

Application. Student educational information, a student personal statement, one letter of recommendation from your NCCTC program instructor, and a counselor submitted GPA are required for each application. Start your application early since your application requires uploads from a program instructor and counselor. If they don’t complete those uploads before the deadline the application can be disqualified. Students should monitor the status of the uploads in the online application system.

Selection: Selection is made based on overall academic achievements, recommendation, leadership qualities, and involvement in diverse curricular, extracurricular, and community activities.

Payment: To receive payment, recipients must submit a copy of their acceptance letter to the college/university or training program they will be attending, their financial aid letter or offer, and a signed agreement letter provided by the Gerber Foundation. The Foundation makes scholarship payments directly to the college/university or program in coordination with student payment distribution requests. To receive payment for educational program required tools and equipment, certificate and licensing exam fees, and apprenticeship program fees, students will submit a copy of a program requirement document and the paid receipt or invoice for reimbursement.

Recipient Responsibilities:
- Enroll full time in the fall of the year in which the scholarship was awarded.
- Continue in school for the entire academic year without interruption, barring illness, emergency, or military service.
- Report any changes in status to the Gerber Foundation immediately.
- Use the award for the intended purpose.
- Maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or equivalent (C).
- Submit grade reports or transcripts at the end of each academic semester or year as requested along with renewal information.
Newaygo County Career Tech Center Scholarship Program

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