



Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarship

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The Ockenfels' Family Foundation's mission strives to be a caring member of the childhood cancer journey, no matter where that journey takes an individual and their family.

Eligibility to apply for Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- Applicant must be directly affected by childhood cancer (includes individuals who currently have or have had cancer before age 18, or a sibling of that individual)
- Applicant must be within Children's Cancer Connection service area (living, treated or diagnosed in the state of Iowa)
- Applicant must attend an accredited two or four year institution (trade school, college or university)
- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.5

Requirements for Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- Completed application with written two 500 word essays
- Two letters of recommendation from school, medical or business professional
- If selected, scholarship recipients will need to complete 10 - 40 hours of volunteer support dependent upon awarded scholarship

Available Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- \$500 Book Reimbursement Scholarship
- \$1,000 Tuition Assistance Scholarship
- \$2,500 Tuition Assistance Scholarship
- \$5,000 Debbie Ockenfels Memorial Scholarship



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Applications for the Fall Semester are due the last Friday in May.

Applications for the Spring Semester are due the last Friday in September.

Applicants will be notified by July 31 for the Fall Semester and November 30 for the Spring Semester. Funds will be sent directly to the institution listed in the application.

Please return completed application, recommendations, and essays to:

**Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships
2708 Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50312**

**Or via email to:
Scholarship@ChildrensCancerConnection.org**



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First Name _____ Last Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ County _____
Phone _____ Email _____

☐ I am a survivor

☐ I am a sibling

Current/Previous high school _____
Current GPA _____ Intended Graduation Date _____
School Attending 2014-2015 _____
Accepted Admission Yes No

Anticipated Major _____
Anticipated Minor (if applicable) _____

Essay Question

(Please answer each of the following questions, in 500 words or less, typed, on a separate sheet)

1. How has childhood cancer built your character? How has that made you into the person you are, and helped formulate plans for your future?

2. Debbie Ockenfels fought her own battle with childhood cancer. The entire Ockenfels' family now remembers Debbie for her positive, cheerful attitude, zest for life, striving to be her best, and always carrying herself in a joyful manner.

How do your personal characteristics mirror those of Debbie and how have they helped determine your decision for further education?