



Ben & Alyce Shaver Scholarship Donated by the Ben Shaver Family Trust



Ben Shaver graduated from Moxahala High School in 1942. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II. He received his B. A. Degree from Muskingum College in 1950 and a M. Ed. Degree from Ohio University in 1954. For the next 30 years he was a teacher/coach and public school administrator retiring as Ashland County Superintendent in 1979. Ben was the co-founder and former president of the Ohio Association of Local School Superintendents Association (OALSS). Later he became president of the Ohio County Superintendents Association and a charter member of the Washington DC based Council of Rural Electric Cooperative Communicators. It was Ben’s earnest hope that this scholarship will enable some young person to build a foundation for a productive life and that they will then help someone else.

It is with deep sorrow that we share the passing of Ben Shaver, a tireless advocate for equitable access to higher education for all. Ben’s life was marked by an unwavering commitment to breaking down the barriers that too often prevent individuals from pursuing their academic dreams. He dedicated much of his life to ensuring that higher education was not a privilege reserved for a few, but a right available to all who seek it, regardless of their background or financial situation. His legacy is reflected not only in the lives of the countless students who benefited from his efforts, but also in the policies and initiatives that continue to champion accessible education today.

Ben believed that education was the key to unlocking opportunity, and that everyone should have the chance to improve their future through learning. His vision extended beyond just access, as he understood that higher education must be a transformative experience—one that empowers individuals and communities to flourish. Through his work, Ben helped create lasting change, and his legacy will continue to inspire generations of educators, students, and advocates.

As we mourn his loss, we also celebrate the impact of his lifelong dedication to education. His work remains as important as ever, and his passion for accessible higher education will forever be a guiding light for those who follow in his footsteps.

ELIGIBILITY

• **New Applicants**

- Graduating Senior of Miller High School
- GPA of 2.7 or above
- Proof of financial need
- Accepted to an accredited two or four-year institution
- Must complete the attached application
- Write a letter thanking the Shaver Family for the scholarship (written as if you have received the scholarship)
 - This letter must include:
 - Your name and brief information about your family
 - Where you plan to attend college
 - Goals and how you plan to achieve them

• **Renewal Applicants**

- Must be a past recipient of the Ben and Alyce Shaver Scholarship
- Currently enrolled at an accredited two or four-year institution
- Must complete the attached application
- Must provide a college transcript
- Write a letter providing an update on the previous year’s post-secondary educational experience.

The application deadline is FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH, 2025

*Applications sent by mail must be postmarked no later than Friday, March 7th, 2025.

Applications can be sent by email as a single
.pdf to Scholarships@ffao.org

Or sent by mail to:
**FAO – SPCAEF
35 Public Square
Nelsonville, OH 45764**

SECTION I – GENERAL INFORMATION

New Applicant

Renewal Applicant

- 1. APPLICANT'S NAME _____ GENDER _____
- 2. DATE OF BIRTH _____ COLLEGE ID # _____
- 3. ADDRESS _____
- 4. EMAIL _____ PHONE # _____
- 5. FALL SEMESTER PAYMENT NEEDED BY DATE _____
- 6. COLLEGE NAME _____
- 7. COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE ADDRESS _____

- 8. ENTERING WHAT YEAR OF COLLEGE FOR 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR? _____

SECTION II – FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian #1

Parent/Guardian #2

Name _____	Name _____
Phone # _____	Phone # _____
Email _____	Email _____
Address _____	Address _____
City _____ State/Zip _____	City _____ State/Zip _____
Employer _____	Employer _____

Names and ages of siblings currently enrolled in post-secondary education program:

NAME	AGE	SCHOOL ATTENDING
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

SECTION III – ACADEMIC INFORMATION: HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ONLY

1. Name of High School: _____
2. High School cumulative GPA: _____
3. High School class rank: _____ in a class of _____
4. ACT Scores: English _____ Math _____ Reading _____
Science/Reasoning _____ Composite _____
5. SAT Scores: Math _____ Reading/Writing _____ Total Score _____
6. College/University you plan to attend: _____

SECTION IV – ACADEMIC INFORMATION: STUDENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN COLLEGE ONLY

1. Date of graduation from High School: May/June of 20____ College ID# _____
2. College/University at which you are enrolled: _____
3. College GPA _____ Major _____
4. Quarter/semester and year you will graduate from college _____

SECTION V – FINANCIAL INFORMATION – FOR ALL NEW AND RENEWAL APPLICANTS

1. Gross Family Income (check one):
 \$0 - \$25,000 \$25,000 - 50,000 Over \$50,000
2. Number of Dependents _____

I certify and affirm that the statements made by me herein are true, complete, and correct to my knowledge and believe and are in good faith.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE
(REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS A MINOR)

DATE

PLEASE RE-CHECK YOUR APPLICATION

Before submitting your application packet, confirm that it includes the following:

- For all applicants, pages 2-3 of the application

For New Applicants:

- Proof of financial need
- Your letter of thanks to the Shaver Family (details on page 1)

For Renewal Applicants:

- Your college transcript
- Your letter providing an update on the previous year's post-secondary educational experience

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