

When does the application open?

Applications open annually on December 1, 2024.

Where can I find the application for this scholarship?

Apply through The Ford Family Foundation website at <https://www.tfff.org/scholarships/ford-sons-daughters/>

Do I have to have an e-mail address to apply?

Yes, each applicant is required to use a working e-mail address when creating a scholarship application. This is the email address The Ford Family Foundation will use to communicate important updates.

There are multiple Ford Family Scholarships. How do I verify that I selected the correct application for the Ford Sons and Daughters Program?

Make sure you select the application that is found at <https://www.tfff.org/scholarships/ford-sons-daughters/>. Once clicking “Apply Now”, check that the top of the application says Ford Sons & Daughters. The application has a step that asks you to provide the name of your qualifying parent who is employed at Roseburg Forest Products. If you do not see this step on the application, then it is not the correct application.

When is the application due?

Submit your application by March 3, 2025, at 5:00 pm Pacific Time. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

What happens if an application is incomplete by the deadline?

Applications that have missing parts will not be considered.

What is the FAFSA and do I need to complete it to receive this scholarship?

You are not required to complete a financial aid application to apply for the Ford Sons and Daughters Program, but we encourage you to do so for other financial aid opportunities such as Pell Grant, State Grant, Perkins Loan, Direct Loan, etc.). Learn more about FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Can I edit my application after submitting it?

After submitting, you may only make edits to your contact record (phone number, email address). Other changes are not allowed.

What documents will I have to upload?

If you are currently enrolled in school, you will need to upload transcripts showing coursework and grades through December 2024. Transcripts do not have to be official copies.

I am a home-schooled student. Do I still need to send a transcript?

Yes, home-schooled students should obtain appropriate documentation of their home-school transcripts.

Home-Schooled Oregon residents must submit:

- A copy of the Confirmation of Enrollment letter on file at the local Educational Service District (ESD) (also called “Letter of Intent to home-school”) and,
- A copy of the results of the tenth-grade standardized achievement test, required for all home-school students who have registered with their ESD, and
- A transcript from the home-school teacher describing courses and letter grades assigned.

Home-Schooled Students from outside of Oregon must submit:

- Documentation of what your state of residence requires from a home-schooled student, and
- A copy of all the documents required by your state of residence.

I am already attending college – can I still apply?

Yes, you can apply if you are currently attending a community college or a four-year college and meet the age requirement; or you are a high school senior who will be starting college as a freshman in the fall of the application year. This scholarship will not be applied to terms you have already completed. You are not eligible if you will be in a graduate program or have already earned a bachelor's degree.

Is there a fee to apply?

There are no fees to apply for scholarships from The Ford Family Foundation.

What is the amount of the Ford Sons & Daughters Scholarship?

- \$3,000 per academic year at technical schools or two-year colleges
- \$5,000 per academic year at four-year colleges or universities

Is this scholarship renewable?

Yes, this scholarship can be renewed each year for up to four years of scholarship funding eligibility. The total number of years of scholarship eligibility is based on the student's year in college when entering the scholarship program and their desired degree.

Can I use the scholarship at any college and for any major?

The scholarship may be used at any campus-based, Title IV eligible, accredited technical college, two-year or four-year institution in the United States where credits can be earned toward a certificate, associate, or bachelor's degree.

How many Ford Sons & Daughters scholarships are awarded each year?

Each year, up to 10% of all eligible dependents are selected to receive a Ford Sons & Daughters Scholarship. In 2024, 28 Ford Sons & Daughters scholarships were awarded.

Is there a minimum Grade Point Average requirement?

No, there is not a minimum GPA requirement to apply for the Ford Sons & Daughters Program, however, academic potential is considered when awarding the scholarship. Students must be academically prepared and ready for college.

Are there age restrictions for applicants?

Yes, applicants must be 21 years of age or younger as of March 1 of the application year.

Do I have to attend college full time to receive the scholarship?

Yes, you must enroll full time with a minimum of 12 credit hours per term/semester.

I am not planning on enrolling fall term or semester. Can I defer the scholarship until January next year?

No, you must enroll in the fall of the year you are awarded the scholarship.

Do online programs qualify for funding from this scholarship?

The Ford Family Foundation requires all recipients to attend classes on campus. However, you may take online courses as long as the credits do not exceed more than half of your course load for the term or semester.

Where does funding for the Ford Sons & Daughters scholarship come from?

The Ford Sons & Daughters Program is funded by The Ford Family Foundation, a private, non-profit Foundation with its main office in Roseburg, Oregon, and the scholarship office in Eugene, Oregon. The Foundation was established in 1957 by Kenneth and Hallie Ford. Kenneth W. Ford (1908-1997) was the founder of Roseburg Forest Products Co.

How long does my parent have to work at Roseburg Forest Products for me to be eligible?

A qualifying parent must have been a full-time employee for a minimum of 18 continuous months prior to the application deadline.

My grandparent works at Roseburg Forest Products, does that make me eligible?

Only if you are their legal dependent.

My parent retired from Roseburg Forest Products. Am I eligible?

It depends on how many years they worked at the company and their status when they retired. Contact The Ford Family Foundation Scholarship Office to discuss your situation - Toll Free 877-864-2872 or email us at fordscholarships@tfff.org.

My parent works part-time at Roseburg Forest Products. Am I eligible?

No, a qualifying parent must be a full-time employee.

Do I have to interview to receive this scholarship?

Interviews are no longer part of this program's selection process. After submitting your Ford Sons and Daughters application by the scholarship deadline, eligible candidates will advance through a competitive review process.

When will I know if I have been chosen to receive an award?

If you are selected to receive an award, the Foundation Scholarship Office will notify you by e-mail by mid-May.

What does the scholarship pay for?

Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees, books, room and board, transportation, and personal expenses. Scholarship funds are sent directly to the college for disbursement to the student account.

Do you have any tips for my application?

- **Let your experience and potential shine in your application.** This is an opportunity to share your accomplishments and describe how you're making a difference in the world.
- **Proofread your materials carefully.** Complete all parts of the application and review your application before submitting, checking for typos and avoiding abbreviations or slang.
- **Celebrate what makes you unique.** Use the Activities and Personal Statements to showcase who you are and what you care about.
- **Double check that you've submitted the correct transcript(s).** If your transcripts are incorrect, your application will be invalid.
- **Apply early.** This allows us to help you – and relieves your stress – if there are problems with your application, you can correct them before you submit it.

For residents of Oregon and Siskiyou County, California:

Can I apply for both the Ford Scholars Program and Ford Sons & Daughters Program?

Yes, if you are a resident of Oregon or Siskiyou County. However, the criteria for the Ford Scholars Program are different, so be sure to review the eligibility requirements on the application. Two major differences are (1) you must be seeking a bachelor's degree and (2) the FAFSA is required for the Ford Scholars Program as financial need is one of the requirements. If you are eligible for Ford Scholars, you must submit a separate application.