The Upper Midwest A-C Club® Scholarship is made possible by the donations and generosity of club members and supporters of this award, which is designed to further the advancement of our active and committed members, their children, and grandchildren. The Club, its members and committees make no expectations or promises as a part of this scholarship process. Individuals receiving these scholarships are expected to use them to pursue postsecondary education.

Upon request, a copy of this application can be sent to you via mail or email.
Please contact Carissa Buttjer, Scholarship Committee Co-Chair with any questions:
Phone: 319-404-1203 Email: cbuttjer@hotmail.com

TERMS

A. The scholarship is for the **2026-2027** school year only and cannot be deferred. Applications will be accepted from January 10, 2026 until April 30, 2026.

B. Recipient will be a paid Club member, or the child/grandchild of a paid Club member.

C. Prior to payment of the scholarship award, the Recipient must be accepted and enrolled as a full-time student in a post-secondary program.

D. Payment will be made (after receipt of this form and after successful completion of applicant's first semester of post-secondary schooling, pending receipt of their first semester transcripts) to the Financial Aid Office of the Recipient's educational institution, to be applied toward educational expenses for tuition, fees, books, and supplies required for study.

E. The Recipient's photo, their thank you note, and information about their post-secondary institution attending, may be shared with Upper Midwest A-C Club® members as well as used for promotional purposes.

F. The Recipient will conduct themselves at all times in a fashion that brings dignity to the Upper Midwest A-C Club®, and will comply in all respects with their educational institution's code of conduct.

G. The Recipient will maintain full-time enrollment status as defined by their educational institution for the 2026-2027 academic year.

H. The Recipient will maintain a cumulative grade point average not less than 2.0 and will submit official transcripts from their post-secondary institution to the Upper Midwest A-C Club® Scholarship Committee no later than **February 1, 2027**. Transcripts may be submitted via mail (Attn: Carissa Buttjer, 2761 220th Street, Tripoli, IA 50676) or email (cbuttjer@hotmail.com).

I. All Recipients will be invited to attend the 2026 Orange Spectacular® to be recognized, and may be asked to assist with the annual Scholarship Auction.

SELECTION PROCESS

- Scholarship awards will be in the amount of $1,000 per student, one award per lifetime.
- The number of $1,000 scholarships awarded will be determined by the Scholarship Committee based on the number of applications received and the content of those applications.
- Although an agriculture-related field of study is encouraged, it will not be a requirement to apply for this scholarship.
- Applicants will submit their completed Upper Midwest A-C Club® Scholarship Application with all required documents via mail or email to Carissa Buttjer by the deadline listed in the application.
- The Scholarship Committee will contact applicant within 7 days to confirm receipt of your application. If the applicant does not receive communication of receipt of their application, please reach out to Carissa Buttjer, and re-send the application.
- Applications will be evaluated on:
    - Level of completeness
    - Student's demonstration of leadership abilities, community involvement, and volunteer efforts
    - Student's future goals and contribution to society
    - Quality of the attached essay, including spelling, grammar, punctuation, and content
- The Upper Midwest A-C Club® Scholarship Committee will select and notify Recipients by **June 15, 2026**.

****APPLICATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN APRIL 30, 2026****

Upper Midwest A-C Club® Scholarship Application

Today's Date: _____ ***Application Due: April 30, 2026***

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

County: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States of America? _____

What year will you (or did you) graduate from High School? _____

What is your most recent GPA? _____ *Circle one:* High School OR Post-Secondary

What is your post-secondary major? _____

What is your post-secondary minor (if applicable)? _____

What post-secondary institute will you be attending? _____

Place an "X" in the appropriate space(s) pertaining to your higher-educational program:

Enrolled program is a: _____ University _____ Technical College/Trade School
_____ Community College _____ Private College

Length of enrolled program: _____ 9 months _____ 1 year _____ 2 years
_____ 4 years _____ 4+ years

The degree you will graduate with: _____ Vocational Diploma _____ Associate's Degree
_____ Bachelor Degree _____ Master's or Doctorate

Expected Post-Secondary Education Graduation Date: _____

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Please describe a time in your life where you took on a **leadership role** within your school or community, and what you gained from the experience:

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Please describe a time in your life where **service for others** has impacted you directly and what you gained from the experience:

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Please list all **organizations and/or activities** (volunteer or otherwise) you plan on being involved in **during your college career**:

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Briefly describe your **career/occupational goals**: _____

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Please attach a 2-page essay on the following topic:

"The history of Allis-Chalmers in your family and how you have participated in the Orange Spectacular"

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VERIFICATION

Are you, your parents, or grandparents present members of the Upper Midwest A-C Club? ____

Please list names of parent/grandparent Upper Midwest A-C Club Members:

_____

By signing this document, I certify that I was the only preparer of these materials and that all of the information included in this application is based on true knowledge and is factual.

Also, I agree that if awarded the Upper Midwest A-C Club Scholarship, I understand that I will not receive the scholarship funds until I submit the Acceptance Form & Agreement and adhere to all of its guidelines and provisions.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The Upper Midwest A-C Club® appreciates your participation in its 2026 Scholarship Program.

Please send completed application and essay to:

Carissa Buttjer
Phone: (319) 404-1203
Upper Midwest A-C Club Scholarship Committee

Mail:
2761 220th Street
Tripoli, IA 50676

OR

Email:
cbuttjer@hotmail.com

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