

The Backer Family / SCV Education Foundation Scholarship

2024 General Information

The Santa Clarita Valley Education Foundation was founded in 1984 to foster relationships between businesses, schools, the community, educators, and youth to enrich public school education and promote appreciation for public school education in the Santa Clarita Valley. In support of these goals, the Education Foundation sponsors several annual events and programs to foster and support excellence in education for students of the Santa Clarita Valley. The events include the SCV Teacher Tribute and Principal for a Day. The programs sponsored by the foundation include Teacher Innovation Grants, Read with Me, Page Turners, and College Scholarships.

Scholarships will be awarded to students whose personal goals, college major and declared career path indicate future success in **a field related to primary or secondary education**. The foundation hopes to award scholarship funds totaling \$10,000 in 2024. That amount may be given as a single award to one student or may be distributed as multiple awards to several students at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

High school graduates entering any college as a full-time student in pursuit of a four-year degree are eligible. This includes students who plan to attend a community college first.

Funds will be refunded to the winners upon presentation of proof of payment for tuition, books, dormitory rent, or other eligible expenses deemed appropriate by the foundation board.

Application deadline is Friday, April 5^{th -} 5pm. Applications may be mailed or emailed. Those postmarked after April 5th will not be accepted. **Finalists will be scheduled for an interview with the scholarship committee on Wednesday, April 17th.**



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Thank you for your interest in applying for a scholarship with the SCV Education Foundation. Please carefully follow the directions below. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

2024 Scholarship Application Guidelines

- Applicants must attend one of the Wm. S. Hart School District public schools.
- Applicants must have a GPA of at least 2.5 to be considered.
- Scholarship applicants must be living in the Santa Clarita Valley.
- Applicant must be attending college in 2024 -2025 as a full-time student pursuing an **undergraduate degree in a field related to a career in education**.
- After the written applications are screened, a group of finalists will be chosen to participate in **interviews** with a panel of Education Foundation board members. The panel will make the final decision on the awarding of scholarships.
- Final candidates will be interviewed on April 17th.

Instructions

- 1. Log-on to the SCV Education Foundation website, download the Applicant Data Sheet and the Scholarship Questionnaire at <u>www.scveducationfoundation.org/student-scholarships</u>. Handwritten Data Sheets or Questionnaire will not be accepted.
- 2. Obtain your most recent transcript from your high school.
- 3. Obtain two letters of recommendation one from a high school teacher or college professor and one from a professional (non-relative). Be sure to include a phone number and/or e-mail address to reach each person who recommended you for this scholarship. Reference letters should be limited to one page each.
- 4. Mail or email the Applicant Data Sheet, the Scholarship Questionnaire, references and transcripts by Friday, April 5th at 5pm. Do not send via registered mail and DO NOT SEND DOCUMENTS SEPERATELY. Mail to:

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