



The LEUC Senior Scholarship Application 2026

The Lakota East Upbeat Club is funding five scholarships in 2026, the William Thomas Scholarship, two Jeff Durham Scholarships, and two LEUC Senior Scholarships.

The LEUC Senior Scholarship will be awarded to two qualifying seniors at the Lakota East High School Band Awards Night. The LEUC Board will randomly select scholarship recipients from all qualified applicants.

The LEUC Senior Scholarship application established criteria:

- Graduating senior
- Senior intends to continue education
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Member of Concert Band/Symphonic Band/Symphonic Winds/Marching Band/Color Guard/Winter Guard
- Submit completed application by April 15, 2026 in one of the following ways:
 - Email to the Lakota East Upbeat Club: president@lakotaeastbands.org
 - Mail (received by deadline) to:

Lakota East Upbeat Club
Attention: Senior Scholarship
PO Box 1686
West Chester, OH 45071-1686

The LEUC Senior Scholarship will be paid directly to the financial office of the recipient's selected educational institution. Details of this process will be given to the student once the scholarship has been awarded.

The Lakota East Upbeat Club, the band booster organization, reserves a portion of fundraising and donation monies to finance these scholarships. The organization exists to encourage, support, and facilitate Lakota East Bands programs, the Color Guard/Winter Guard programs, and its members. To learn more about the Lakota East Upbeat Club and Lakota East Band/Guard Programs, or to make a donation to this scholarship fund, please visit lakotaeastbands.org



To be eligible for this award the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- 1) The student must have been in the marching band, concert bands, color guard and/or the winterguard program during the current school year.
- 2) The applicant must be a senior and have a cumulative total grade point average of 3.0 or higher as of the most recent grading period.
- 3) The winner of the scholarship must be able to show the acceptance letter from an accredited college, school of technology, or trade school within the United States that they will be attending. Other professional educational opportunities, that will enhance the student's ability to create a successful career in the future, can be submitted on the application form. The information submitted will be reviewed by the LEUC board members who will determine if the extended educational programming meets the criteria needed for the student to be eligible for the drawing.
- 4) Only one entry per person is permitted.
- 5) The scholarship money is to be used solely by the winner of the scholarship and is non-transferrable. In the event that the student has decided to no longer further their education, written/emailed notification should be submitted to the LEUC board as soon as possible. The board will then determine if there is enough time, prior to the end of the school year, to choose a secondary winner.
- 6) ***The Lakota East Upbeat Club Treasurer will send the scholarship award directly to the college or university each recipient will be enrolled in to continue his/her education.*** Recipients will be given information about that process once awarded the scholarship.
- 7) Applications, available online at the Lakota East Upbeat Club website, can be submitted by email or a copy of the application can be printed and mailed to LEUC, Attention: Senior Scholarship, PO Box 1686, West Chester, OH, 45071-1686, between February 1st and April 15st each school year. No applications will be accepted unless received by April 15st unless approved by a LEUC board member.

All applicants, who have met the qualifications listed above, will be entered into a random name drawing. Two names will be selected by the LEUC Board/Selection Committee using a random name generator or other board approved method to determine the winner. The winners of the Senior Scholarships will be announced by the LEUC President(s) at the end of the year awards program held in May.



Any questions regarding this scholarship please contact the LEUC President(s) president@lakotaeastbands.org.

- **Name:**
- **College/University/Trade School attending in fall (or list schools if undecided):**
- **Cumulative GPA (as of last report card):**
- **Please specify which ensembles you participated in for the 2025/26 season (Marching Band, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Symphonic Winds, Color Guard, Winter Guard):**