

Applying for a PSCF Scholarship:

- ✓ **Student must be registered for classes.**
 - Foundation awards are not “first money” to hold a class.
 - Foundation scholarships are for partial costs, pending available funds.
 - Students must have some means to pay their balance (Nelnet payment plan, job, loan, etc.)
- ✓ **Every scholarship applicant must complete the FAFSA process.**
 - PSCF assists those who are not eligible for federal or state aid, but **every applicant must have filed FAFSA.**
- ✓ **The Foundation scholarship application is available online.**
 - Click the link on the PSC home page.
- ✓ **Return completed application to Financial Aid Dept.**

The PSC Foundation believes each student must assume some portion of educational costs; therefore, **most awards are for partial costs.** This permits assistance to the maximum number of PSC students.

Important Facts about PSC Foundation Scholarships:

- ✓ **No prior balances are eligible** for Foundation assistance.
- ✓ **Consideration is not immediate.**
 - There is a priority application date, several weeks before start of each semester.
 - Financial Aid must verify grades, hours, and whether FAFSA was completed.
- ✓ **Guest students are not eligible**, due to limited funds.
 - Donors’ intent is to assist PSC students, enrolled in a PSC degree or certificate program, who cannot afford community college costs.
- ✓ **No funds are awarded for transportation or personal expenses, unlike Pell grants.**
 - Foundation awards are for tuition, fees, and textbooks.
- ✓ **Awards are by electronic credit** to the student's PSC account.
- ✓ **No cash** is awarded.
- ✓ **No refunds are given for unused amounts** (if an award exceeds student’s out-of-pocket costs).
- ✓ **Only one Foundation-funded scholarship award per term** (Returning Students, Books for Scholars, New Beginnings, Athletic Scholarship, Ford Heights Scholar).
 - Students will be considered for all donor-funded awards (such as Suburban Service League, NCJW, Kiwanis, etc.) where they meet donor criteria.
- ✓ Scholarships **are awarded for the semester in which enrolled** and do not carry over.
- ✓ **Awards will be made until funds are expended to students who meet donors’ criteria.**

Each student who follows these guidelines will be considered for available scholarships.

