



Visalia Education Foundation Scholarships 2017

All scholarships awarded through the Visalia Education Foundation are for Visalia Unified School District Senior Students only and require the following:

Be sure your name appears on every page that is turned in.

- ☐ Completed Application ☐ Essay (**must only be one page long, one-sided**)
☐ One or two Letters of Recommendation ☐ High School Transcript

Scholarships:

1. **Chan Asian-American Scholarship: 1 @ \$250**
For a student of Asian/American descent, strong academics and contribution to school or community. Student must have a 3.0 grade point average or better.
2. **Community Scholarship: 5 @ \$250**
One scholarship will be awarded to each High School for an outstanding and deserving student. Student must have a 3.0 grade point average or better.
3. **Frances Cutler Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$2,000**
Financial need will not be a determining factor. This student must have a 3.5 or better grade point average. Student receiving scholarship must be enrolled in college full time.
4. **Edith K. Alkema Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$10,000**
For a student currently living in the Ivanhoe area and a Senior attending VUSD. The student must have a 3.0 GPA. Financial need will be a determining factor. Student may be pursuing a degree or a certificate of completion from an accredited school.
5. **Monte Melkonian Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000**
One scholarship will be awarded to a highly accomplished Mt. Whitney student. This scholarship is not based on religion or national origin. Student must have a 3.5 grade point average or better.
6. **Annie Mitchell Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$2,000**
Financial needs will not be a determining factor. This student must have a 3.5 or better grade point average and be continuing their studies in the area of education or history. Student receiving scholarship must be enrolled in college full time.
7. **Visalia Education Foundation Scholarship: 4 @ \$1000**
For students who have been involved in performing or visual arts most of their high school years. Your letter of recommendation should come from a teacher in the arts. Grade point average must be at least a 3.5. One scholarship will be awarded to each of the four high schools.
8. **Visalia Women's Civic Club: 2 @ \$500**
This student must have a 3.0 or better GPA. Students pursuing certificates of completion in a program, i.e. fire, police, medical. EMT from an accredited school will be considered.
9. **Evelyn M. Alexander Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$7,500**
This scholarship is for a Redwood High School student based on financial need. Recipient must have been accepted to a four-year college or university and must have achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Extra-curricular activities will be reviewed.
10. **Marguerite R. Sheklian Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$500**
This scholarship is in honor of former Visalia Unified teacher and assistant principal Marguerite Sheklian. The scholarship is for a Visalia Unified student with at least a 3.5 GPA who is pursuing a career in education and has been active in school, church and community activities.
11. **Visalia Education Foundation Alternative Education Scholarship: 2 @ \$500**
This scholarship is for an accomplished student enrolled in a Visalia Unified School District Alternative Education program and who has been active in community service. Grade point average must be at least a 3.2.

12. **Libby Romani Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$2,000**
This scholarship is in honor of former Visalia Unified music teacher and Music Coordinator Libby Romani. The scholarship is intended for a student who has been actively participating in VUSD music programs and will be attending college in the fall of 2017 with the intent of becoming a music educator or obtaining a Major in Music.
13. *** Cal Rossi Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$3,000**
This scholarship is for a Mt. Whitney student with a 3.0 GPA. Student must show activity in interscholastic athletics and be enrolled in an U.S. college full-time. Application/Essay must contain personal background, financial need, work experience/community service and anticipated goals of college study.
14. ***Julie Reed Memorial Scholarship: 2 @ \$250**
This Memorial Scholarship is in honor of past Willow Glen PTA President, Julie Reed. The scholarship is geared toward a student who attended Willow Glen between grades 4 to 6. The student must have a 3.0 GPA or better, involved in various community service programs and active in student body activities.
15. *** Max E Cochran Family Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000**
This scholarship is based on financial need. It will be given to a student studying teaching or other related educational fields. Student must have at least a 3.0 GPA and completed A-G college requirements. Student will need to be enrolled in a California State University or the University of California system.
16. ***Tanner Berbereia Memorial Scholarship: 3 @ \$500**
For students with a grade point average of 3.5 or above who will be attending a four year university. Involvement in extracurricular activities: sports, the arts, student government, etc.
17. ***Line Family Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000**
One scholarship will be awarded to an accomplished, deserving Mt. Whitney student. Not limited to a student with financial need. The Line Family will review these applications. Student must have a 3.5 grade point average or better.
18. ***Laudine Oliphant Scholarship: 1 @ \$250**
For a community- active Mt. Whitney student with a 3.25 or better GPA who is involved in performance or visual arts for at least 3 years of high school. Student must plan to continue their love for the arts at a two or four year college.
19. ***Kenneth P. Oliphant Scholarship: 1 @ \$250**
For a community- active Mt. Whitney student with a 3.25 or better GPA who is involved in tennis for at least 3 years of high school. Student must be continuing their education at a two or four year college.
20. ***Rhonda A. Barker Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$1000**
For an accomplished student who has been active in community service who has a 3.5 or better GPA. The student must be attending college full time in the fall of 2017.
21. ***PEO Chapter HF Scholarship: 1 @ \$800**
PEO is an international philanthropic education organization for women. The local chapter HF is offering this scholarship. The recipient must be a female graduate of a Visalia high school with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA. The scholarship is not based on financial need. Chapter members will review these applications.
22. ***Ken Harris Memorial Scholarship: 1 @ \$1,000**
Ken Harris was a sixth grade teacher at Mountain View School for over 30 years. This scholarship is for a Mt. Whitney High School student with a 3.0 GPA or greater who will be attending an accredited college or vocational program. Need will be considered.
23. ***Oak Grove PTA Scholarship: 2 @ \$500**
For a graduating senior who attended Oak Grove Elementary for at least 4 full years. Must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and be enrolled in an accredited 2 or 4 year college for the upcoming Fall semester. Application/essay should incorporate Oak Grove background, PTA involvement, extra-curricular/community involvement and goals in college. Financial need is not a factor.

The Foundation Scholarship Committee will review all applications. Scholarships marked with an * may be reviewed by the donating family/chapter.

Application must be received by Friday, March 10, 2017 - 5 PM

**Return completed application to: Visalia Education Foundation c/o Visalia Unified School District
5000 W. Cypress Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277.**

Please call Barbara Mayeda at (559) 909-1462 or (559) 635-2422 with any questions. Web Site: <http://www.visaliaedfoundation.org>
A school representative or a representative of the Foundation will present all scholarships to the 2017 graduates. In the case of Memorial Scholarships, family members may desire to make the presentation. The Visalia Education Foundation will notify the schools of the arrangements on individual scholarships.