



FCSU 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS VOCATIONAL / TRADE SCHOOLS

Rules & Requirements:

Applicants enrolled in community college, vocational or trade school, or programs in fields such as automotive technology, plumbing, heating, construction, welding cosmetology etc. for a **minimum of 12 credit hours**.

Applicants must have: a minimum of \$5,000 of reserve insurance (Ordinary Whole Life, Twenty Pay Whole Life, or Single Premium Whole Life), or minimum of \$25,000 JEP policy (on new policy); or minimum of \$1,000 of Juvenile Life Savings; or minimum of \$500 in an annuity or Coverdell IRA with the FCSU for at **least three years** prior to April 1st of the year in which they are applying.

Applicants are eligible to pre-apply as high school Seniors or first year enrolled in vocational /trade school. **Applicants must have** a high school diploma or Graduate Equivalent Degree (GED) without a bachelor's or advanced.

Applicants can win only once in each of the 5 categories: (Catholic Grade School, Catholic High School, College, Graduate School, Vocational/Trade School). All scholarship winners must maintain an active policy during their school years.

Applicants must provide: application, official transcript, 1 letter of recommendation, high-res headshot photo (jpeg preferred) taped to the application and also emailed to scholarship@fcsu.com.

Applicants must complete and sign an official FCSU Scholarship application obtained from a branch officer, the Home Office or www.fcsu.com and mail it to: Scholarship Program, FCSU, 6611 Rockside Rd, #300, Independence, OH 44131 or email to scholarship@fcsu.com.

Winners will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee, and checks will be made payable to the winners upon submitting proof of enrollment to the school named in the application.

Find applications at www.fcsu.com/membership/scholarships.



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6611 Rockside Rd, #300, Independence, OH 44131, www.fcsu.com

VOCATIONAL TRADE SCHOOLS

3 Scholarships
\$1,000 each

Can pre-apply
as a high school
Senior or
first year of
vocational/trade
school

Checklist:

- Completed and Signed Application
- Headshot photo
- Official Transcript
- One Letter of Recommendation

**Applications
must be
RECEIVED BY
MARCH 13, 2026**

**For more info
call us at
800.533.6682**



2026 FCSU Scholarship

VOCATIONAL / TRADE SCHOOL APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security #: _____

Certificate #: _____ Branch #: _____

With the intent of receiving: Certificate Diploma Degree Certification Other

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Certified By: _____

Signature of Branch Officer: (The application can also be submitted to the Home Office for certification).

Branch #: _____ Date: _____

Mail to:
Scholarship Program
FCSU
6611 Rockside Road, Suite 300
Independence, OH 44131
or email to: scholarship@fcsu.com

Attach photo:
2.5" x 3.5"

If possible, please provide a high resolution jpeg file, as this photo will be printed in Jednota & posted online.

Email the photo with your full name and home address to: scholarship@fcsu.com

PLEASE NOTE: INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS (THOSE WHICH ARE RECEIVED NOT FULLY COMPLETED OR DO NOT HAVE ALL ATTACHMENTS) WILL BE INVALID AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BY THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE. APPLICATIONS MUST BE **RECEIVED BY MARCH 13, 2026** OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED INVALID.

Career Plan

Intended Field of Study / Major: _____

Institution You Plan to Attend: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Have You Been Accepted? Yes No

Anticipated Date of Enrollment: _____

Are you attending classes full time (12 or more credit hours)? Yes No

Have you ever received an FCSU Fraternal Scholarship Award? Yes No

If yes, enter: Year: _____ Category: _____ Amount: _____

(Categories: Catholic Grade Schools, Catholic High Schools, Colleges, Graduate Schools, Vocational/Trade Schools)

How many of your family members belong to the First Catholic Slovak Union? _____

Essay Requirements

Provide an autobiographical statement of approximately 500 words containing your goals and objectives. Describe any demonstrated leadership skills. In one of the paragraphs describe how you were involved in school activities. In another, give details of your church or community service. Describe how your religious faith and Slovak cultural heritage helped you in your personal development. **Please read above requirements of the essay carefully and be sure to include all the categories of information about yourself that are required.** This essay is an important part of evaluation.

Checklist: Received by March 13, 2026

Please follow this checklist to prevent mailing us an incomplete application:

- Completed and Signed Application**
- Essay**
- Headshot photo (high resolution .jpg)**
- Official Transcript**
- One Letter of Recommendation**
- My school will mail my Official Transcript
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