

What is expected of you if you are selected as a 2020 HCF scholarship Recipient?

What is an HCF Scholar?

Every year, the Hamilton Community Foundation awards more than \$1 million in scholarships to students pursuing higher education. As a recipient of the Foundation's scholarships, you have been identified as a student who is committed to their education and recognized as a Hamilton Community Foundation (HCF) Scholar!

Receiving an HCF scholarship is an honor. Each scholarship fund held by the Hamilton Community Foundation was established by an individual donor or organization to benefit students like you. On behalf of the many donors and their families, we commend you for your outstanding achievements and your commitment to your education.

What are the next steps?

Once you have received an email notifying you of your scholarship offer, you will need to accept or decline it and if you accept, you must provide the necessary documents outlined in your email by the deadline.

This will include:

1. Thank you note to the donor (PDF Files only)
2. Upload a headshot (senior photo) (JPEG files only)
3. Provide information about the school you will attend
4. RSVP to the scholarship reception held May 13, 2020 at Hamilton HS. (Dress for this event is appropriate dressy attire.) You must attend this event if you have a donor who will be in attendance.

If you have any changes

Sometimes changes occur during the summer months regarding the college and/or major from your original application. Any changes must be reported to the Foundation as soon as possible. These changes could affect your eligibility for the scholarship you were awarded.

Please make sure you have provided the Foundation with the name of your college as well as your college student/banner ID#. (Examples: +00000000, 000112233 or A00512340) this is the identification we will include on your scholarship check to ensure it will be posted to your student account. This is NOT your email log-in password. In order to have your check ready in August, you must notify us of any changes by **June 30, 2020**.

Pick up your check

To ensure we are providing scholarship checks to students following through with their plans to begin college in the fall of 2020, you or a parent/guardian must pick up your scholarship check at the Hamilton Community Foundation the week of **July 27th – July 31st, 2020**. **Lost checks will not be replaced.**

If you are not able to pick up your check during this week, you must contact us to make other arrangements. If we do not hear from you during this week, we will assume you are forfeiting your scholarship award.

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