



Shawnee Economic Development Council
Career Ready Scholarship Fund - 2026

The SEDC Career Ready Scholarship is designed to support motivated individuals pursuing training in various skilled trades. This scholarship aims to alleviate some of the financial burden of education and encourage the next generation of professionals in fields such as plumbing, electrical work, welding, carpentry, and more.

Eligible applicants must attend school in or live in Shawnee and demonstrate a commitment to their chosen trade through previous coursework, apprenticeships, or work experience. The \$1,000 scholarship can be used toward tuition, books, or necessary tools, helping recipients take significant steps forward in their training.

Applicants will be evaluated based on their [application](#) and a letter of recommendation from an instructor or employer.

This scholarship not only helps students achieve their educational objectives but also contributes to the development of a skilled workforce that meets the needs of our community. Apply today and take the first step toward a rewarding career in the trades!

Applications are due by 5 p.m. Monday, March 23, 2026. Please complete the [Application](#) (Google form). The letter of recommendation should be emailed, mailed, or dropped off to:

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Scholarship recipients will be notified before June 1, 2026.