



Cockerill-Stevenson Family Scholarship Application

Instructions for Scholarship Application

1. The attached application is to be used for the **Cockerill-Stevenson Family Scholarship** offered through the Tuscola County Community Foundation. **One (1) \$500 scholarship is available to be awarded to a senior student graduating from Caro High School who plans to attend a post-secondary institute including vocational programs.**
2. Applications and required attachments must be **postmarked by March 15, 2025:**

**Tuscola County Community Foundation
Cockerill-Stevenson Family Scholarship
P.O. Box 534
Caro, MI 48723**

3. Applications are to be typed or legibly printed in ink and must be signed by applicant. Applications not signed will not be considered.
4. Submit the **original application and one official high school transcript along with four (4) copies of each (including letter of recommendation and any attachments)**. Please have original printed single sided and no staples.
5. Provide documentation showing evidence of high motivation to use personal skills and abilities beyond academic performance to “do good” in the community over the course of their enrollment in high school (i.e., kindness to others less fortunate, overcoming adversity, ability to get along in diverse situations, volunteer experiences, etc.).
6. Demonstrate/explain financial need.
7. GPA 3.0 or greater (consideration will be given to applicants with GPAs between 2.5 – 3.0 with explanation of extenuating circumstance)



Cockerill/Stevenson family facts and philosophy

The extended Cockerill family has lived in greater Caro for over a century; and, for approximately 75 of those years, certain Cockerill/Stevenson family members lived in the “Big House” next to the Michigan Sugar Factory in town. Family patriarch Tom Cockerill worked as an accountant for Michigan Sugar, while his wife Dorothy Cockerill worked in the knife sharpening department. Years later their daughter, JoAnn, lived in the “Big House” and raised her six Stevenson children there beginning in 1970. She sold the home to her son, Robert Stevenson, in 2010. The home was later sold to a family friend.

Tom and Dorothy Cockerill’s family “branches” directly include not only Cockerills and Stevensons, but also O’Briens and Stuarts; the majority of their children and grandchildren grew up in greater Caro and attended Caro Community Schools. This scholarship honors the extended family’s legacy in the greater Caro area and the many family members who got their educational start in the Caro Community School system before going on to successful careers in education, public service, industrial arts, leadership, technology, academia, and a host of other diverse fields. The family firmly believes that every student should have the opportunity to succeed regardless of background, ability, hardships faced, and via whatever “educational” pathway they find most useful—traditional education, vocational/technical school, or other pathways as appropriate.

The family is proud to support a deserving Caro student(s) with this scholarship as they graduate and pursue the opportunities their future holds!



For **good.** For **ever.***

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Permanent Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Telephone: _____ Tuscola County Resident: _____ Yes _____ No

List your grade point average using a 4 pt. scale: _____ ACT / SAT Score: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Name of parent/guardian: _____ Occupation _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

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Post-secondary school you are planning to attend: _____

Full-time student? _____ Yes _____ No If no, number of credits: _____

Major field of study: _____

How is your post-secondary education being financed? _____

Please list scholarships applied for: _____

Please list scholarships granted and amounts: _____

