

Outer Banks
COMMUNITY
Foundation



Scholarship Program

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The Outer Banks Community Foundation manages over 60 scholarships for Dare, Currituck, and Ocracoke students, and you can apply for them all in one place, online! It's **EASY!**

WHO ARE THEY FOR:

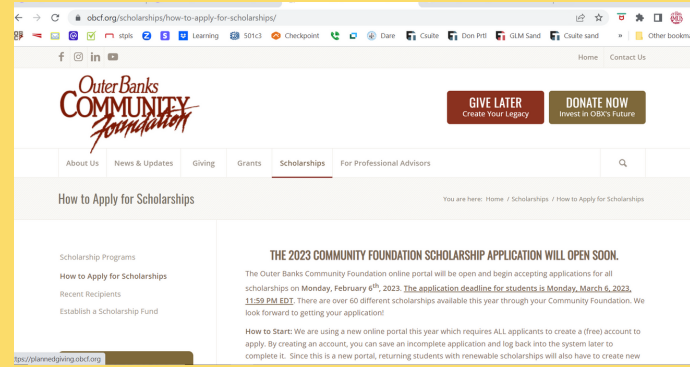
Everyone, graduating seniors, Dare Guarantee graduates, and people interested in attending COA.

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Need-based & merit-based
- **Some** of them cater to different majors, interests, & involvements (like tennis, golf, firefighters, athletes and musicians)
- For all types of schools
- And ***everything*** in between!

WHERE TO GO:

www.obcf.org/scholarships



BEST PRACTICES:

- When you set up your account, record your long-in and password to have access to your new dashboard.
- We are using a new portal that is shared by students applying for scholarships and organizations applying for grants, so please pay close attention to the directions in **red** when creating an account
- Only use a permanent email address to create accounts
- The first tab in your application has a lot of important information and there are **hints in blue** throughout.



VIDEO TUTORIALS:

Got to our site or to **<https://obcf.org/2023-grant-scholarship-tutorials/>** to access video and written step by step instructions on how to set up an account, how to apply for scholarships and how to navigate your personal dashboard.

WHEN TO APPLY:

The application opens on Monday, February 6, 2023.

WHAT TO DO:

Start your online application at **www.obcf.org/scholarships** on 2/6/2023. Ask your guidance counselor for a copy of your transcript and gather all the information you will need to apply.



What you will need to apply:

Aside from your most current transcript...

- TWO letters of recommendation
- Student Aid Report (SAR) - for
Needs-Based scholarships
- A great ESSAY!



Letters of Recommendation:

- 2 Letters **REQUIRED**
- Be thoughtful, **ASK NOW!** Let recommenders know the deadline and give them friendly reminders.
- You are responsible for obtaining these letters of recommendation from your selected individuals and uploading them into our system.
- Recommenders who want to keep their submissions confidential can email me, nandy@obcf.org. Their recommendations to be uploaded by the Monday, March 6th (11:59 pm) deadline.



Financial Information:

**NOTE: Merit-based scholarships do not require financial information.*

- For need-based scholarships you must complete the FAFSA, and upload the resulting Student Aid Report (SAR) into the application form.
- Enter your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) into the form AS IS; **do NOT editorialize your EFC** (If it does not match the uploaded SAR you will be disqualified).
- If you can't complete the FAFSA but want to be considered for need-based scholarships please contact us or your counselors for assistance.



Essay & Interviews:

- *Our application only requires ONE ESSAY.*
- *Second essay is ONLY for Milton A. Jewell Academic Scholarship (our most prestigious merit-based scholarship).*
- *Interviews are required for very few of our scholarships. Dates and times cannot be changes. If you are selected, we will notify you using the email you provided.*

Good luck, Students!



Questions? Contact us at 252-261-8839 or
nandy@obcf.org.



Important Dates:

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INTERVIEWS:

Interviews are scheduled for 12-4 pm on Friday March 31, Monday, April 3 or Tuesday, April 4, 2023.