Jim Ferree Educational Scholarship 2026-27 Scholarship Guidelines

Scholarship Information

The Jim Ferree Educational Scholarship Endowment administered by Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will provide support for qualified applicants with plans to pursue a post-secondary 2 or 4 year education through an accredited technical school, college or university.

Eligibility Criteria

- 1. High school senior scheduled to graduate from a high school in Beaufort County.
- 2. Applicant has been accepted and plans to pursue a 2 or 4-year degree program.
- 3. Applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 of a possible 4.0 on the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale or equivalent on an alternate scale.
- 4. Applicant must show evidence of participation in at least one extra-curricular activity besides golf.
- 5. Applicant must provide a resume or CV highlighting academic and extra-curricular activities.

Application Requirements

- 1. A completed online scholarship application
- 2. Typed essay on the following: How does playing the game of Golf prepare you to become a successful adult?
- 3. An official copy of the applicant's most recent transcript(s) showing grades for at least two years, **uploaded** into application via 3rd party email from the student's counselor or teacher.
- 4. A total of **2 letters of recommendation**, one each to be completed by the following individuals **and uploaded into application via 3rd party**:
 - a. High school Guidance Counselor or teacher
 - b. Golf coach or adult who is not a member of the applicant's family.
- 5. A resume or CV highlighting academic and extra-curricular activities.
- 6. Selected finalist may be asked to attend a personal interview with Jim Ferree Educational Scholarship Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Type: 2 or 4 year Undergraduate/Post-Secondary
Award Amount: Varied

How to Apply: online scholarship application
Deadline to Apply: February 15, 2026

Selection of Recipients: The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients. Funds will be awarded to cover educational costs, including but not limited to: tuition/fees, room and board, and books. Specific costs to be covered will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin.

Announcement of Scholarship Awards: The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will send an official award letter and related information to each recipient on behalf of Jim Ferree Educational Scholarship Program. A public announcement of scholarship recipients will be arranged by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Recipients may be further recognized through Awards Day programs at their schools.

Distribution of Scholarship Funds: The Community Foundation will advise all scholarship recipients of the distribution method of scholarship awards and review the students' responsibilities to the Scholarship Program for which they have been selected. These responsibilities may include sending transcripts at the end of the year for renewable scholarships, updates as required by the scholarship acceptance terms, and providing notification of all address changes or changes in student status or enrollment. In accordance with the Community Foundation's policy, scholarship funds will be paid in the form of a check made payable to the college/school of the scholarship recipient. Checks will be mailed to the college/school. Notification of payment will be sent to the scholarship recipient.