



Live Like DJ- Dwon Fields Jr. Scholarship 2026-27 Guidelines

Scholarship Information

The Live Like D.J. – Dwon Fields Jr. Scholarship Fund was established in loving memory of D. J. Fields Jr. by his family and friends in 2021. The Fund provides annual scholarship awards to qualified students who are in pursuit of a post-secondary education and who demonstrate the life qualities D.J. exemplified by putting the needs of others first and making a difference in the lives of those he helped through acts of kindness, compassion and caring.

Eligibility Criteria

High School senior (or one year past high school graduation) graduating from a public or private high school (or home school) in Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and/or Jasper Counties in SC or Chatham and/or Effingham Counties in GA. The applicant must have been accepted to, and will be attending an accredited college, university, technical or trade school. The applicant must also demonstrate evidence of making a difference in the lives of others through acts of kindness, compassion and caring.

Application Requirements

1. A completed [online scholarship application](#). This scholarship considers financial need in addition to other criteria, be certain to fill out the online application questions pertaining to financial need.
2. Typed essay explaining how you demonstrate the qualities D.J. exemplified in his life by putting the needs of others first and making a difference in the lives of those he helped through acts of kindness, compassion and caring.
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. Information from the applicant and the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) federal tax returns for the last year, uploaded into the online application.
5. Submission Summary from the FAFSA - showing Student Aid Index or a written statement explaining why Federal Aid was not applied for, uploaded into the online application.
6. Selected finalists may be asked to participate in a personal interview with the Live Like DJ-Dwon Fields Jr. Scholarship Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Type	Undergraduate/Post-Secondary	How to Apply	Click Here
Award	Varied, may have multiple recipients	Deadline	March 2, 2026

Selection of Recipients

The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients (subject to approval by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry Board of Directors). Scholarship funds will be awarded to cover educational costs for: 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. A public announcement of scholarship recipients may 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 they have been selected for. These responsibilities may include sending transcripts at the end of the year for renewable scholarships, 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.