

# Fall 2021 Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

## Sponsored by the Ockenfels' Family Foundation

Since 1988, Children's Cancer Connection has focused on connecting families affected by childhood cancer by providing opportunities that encourage relationships and strengthen community. The Ockenfels Family Foundation mission is to be a caring member of the childhood cancer journey, no matter where that journey takes an individual and their family.

### Eligibility to apply for Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- Applicant must be directly affected by childhood cancer (includes individuals who currently have or have had cancer before age 18 or a sibling of that individual).
- Applicant must be within the Children's Cancer Connection service area (living, treated or diagnosed in the state of Iowa).
- Applicant must attend an accredited two- or four-year institution (trade school, college or university).

### Requirements for Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- Completed Fall 2021 application with two 500-word essays  
\*\*Previously submitted essays will not be accepted. New essays must be submitted each time.
- Two letters of recommendation from school, medical or business professionals, dated no more than six months prior to application submission.

### Available Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships

- \$500 Scholarship
- \$1,000 Scholarship
- Scholarship recipients are eligible to receive a scholarship once a calendar year, for a total of four years

**Applications for the fall semester are due the last Friday in May.**

**Applications for the spring semester are due the last Friday in September.**

Applicants will be notified by July 31<sup>st</sup> for the fall semester and November 30<sup>th</sup> for the spring semester. Funds will be sent directly to the institution listed in the application.

**Please return completed application, recommendations and essays to:**

Children's Cancer Connection Empowering Scholarships  
2708 Grand Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50312

# Fall 2021 Empowering Scholarships Application

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am a survivor

☐ I am a sibling

What hospital were you/your sibling diagnosed and/or treated? \_\_\_\_\_

Current/previous high school: \_\_\_\_\_

High School graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

College you attend or plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted admission: Y      N

Anticipated major: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated minor: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated college graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Essay Questions

(Please answer the following questions in 500 words or less, typed, on a separate sheet. Previously submitted essays will not be accepted.)

ESSAY 1. Tell us about a time you failed and what you learned from it.

ESSAY 2. How will you make a difference in our world? How have you made a difference in your community?