



February 1, 2026

Dear Applicant:

The members of Knights of Columbus Council 12422 are excited about your interest in our scholarship. Our scholarships are offered to encourage enrollment in Dowling Catholic High School and to help defray the costs of a college education. The scholarships will be awarded to students who have shown a balance of good character, service, and academics.

Council 12422 will award a total of four one-time scholarships in 2026. Two scholarships of \$2,000 each will be awarded to 8th grade students and two scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded to high school seniors. See details below.

Two scholarships for Dowling Catholic will go to 8th Grade students who are members of St Francis of Assisi Parish and will be attending Dowling Catholic High School in the Fall of 2026.

Two scholarships for a university or college will be awarded to two St Francis of Assisi Parish members who are high school seniors attending any college or university in the Fall of 2026.

Attached to this cover letter is your application.

Please complete the application and mail it to:

Mr. Joseph Pollpeter
Knights of Columbus
1391 South Sugar Creek Ct
West Des Moines, Iowa 50266

Completed applications and reference letters may also be e-mailed to kofc12422scholarship@gmail.com.

The deadline for applications is **Saturday, April 11, 2026**.

All completed applications need to be postmarked or hand delivered by that date.

Applications that are late or are not complete may not be considered at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

Announcement of awards will be made by June 15, 2026.

If you or your parents have any questions, contact a member of the Scholarship Committee, or email your questions to kofc12422scholarship@gmail.com. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Pollpeter
Council 12422



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**ST FRANCIS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 12422**

2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State / Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Applicants' current school: _____

Applicants' current grade: _____

What school will you attend in the Fall of 2026? _____

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Please provide your answers on separate pieces of paper for the following questions. Please include your name and the title of the question on each sheet. Please do not staple pages together. Applications can be handwritten or a Word document.

1) **Service and Activities**

On a separate piece of paper, please list the projects, activities, clubs, service projects, and athletic teams you have participated in.

(Activities thru grades 6 – 8 for the Dowling High School Scholarship)

(Activities thru grades 9 – 12 for the College Scholarship)

2) **Impact of Service or Activity**

Please reflect on all your acts of service and activities. On a separate piece of paper, chose the service or activity that was most impactful for you and explain why.

3) **Essay**

On a separate sheet of paper, please prepare an essay of approximately 200 words on the following subject (Please include your name and address on the essay.):

Identify and describe a specific experience from your Catholic education or a parish program that played a meaningful role in shaping your faith.

4) **Recommendation**

On a separate piece of paper, please have an adult, such as a priest, teacher, administrator or leader at your school, church, or organization write a brief statement of recommendation. Please include only one recommendation.

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