



Nemec Abbott Foundation Scholarship

Application must be submitted by March 15, 2026.

The Nemec Abbott Foundation (NAF) Scholarship has been established to help high school seniors further their education in Florence School District 1 and now includes seniors at Darlington High School. We believe that these students, regardless of their family's financial background, can be successful if given the proper resources and opportunity. This scholarship is meant to give full financial coverage to selected graduating seniors pursuing a higher education in the field of study of their choosing. This scholarship only pertains to colleges in the state of SC.

AWARD

The NAF will provide a full 4-year scholarship to 1 high school senior from each high school in Florence School District 1 and in Darlington. (Wilson, West Florence, South Florence, and Darlington High) We will also provide a full 2-year scholarship to 1 high school senior who wants to pursue an associate degree at a technical college at each high school. A Full scholarship includes tuition, books and on-campus room/board, less any other scholarship money received.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be a graduating senior at Florence School District 1 high school or at Darlington High School.
- Must show acceptance letter to an accredited 2-year technical school or 4-year college in the state of SC.
- Must have a financial need or hardship which should be explained in the personal statement, along with FASFA determination and additional aid, Pell Grants, scholarships, etc.
- Must currently have a 2.5 or higher high school GPA. We will need a copy of your high school transcript. You must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA throughout your college career. If not, you are subject to lose the scholarship.
- Priority will be given to a first-generation college student, and those who pursue a degree in education/teaching.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- The applicant must return the completed application to the Nemec Abbott Foundation by email to inquiries@nemecabbott.org or by mail to 140 W. Evans St., Suite 201, Florence SC 29501 by March 15, 2025. (You must only email scanned documents. No screenshots.)
- A copy of your most recent official transcript must be included.
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited in-state college must be included.
- Complete Personal Statement.
- Two letters of recommendation from a non-family member, preferably from a past or present teacher or mentor to be sent to inquiries@nemecabbott.org or mailed by deadline.
- **Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.** Decisions made by the committee are final.



Scholarship Application

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Name of institution of higher education you plan to attend: _____

Declared Major: _____

Address of institution: _____

Check applicable box.

2-Year 4-Year

Recommendations

List two references below from a non-family member. These will be the names of the people that will write your letters of recommendation. The letter of recommendation should include the requested information on the Letter of Recommendation Form. Please give a copy of the Letter of Recommendation Form to your references.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Certification

I authorize the investigation of all documents and statements contained in this application. I understand that any misrepresentation of any information may prevent me from consideration in receiving this scholarship.

Applicant Signature

Date of Application



Personal Statement

This statement should include any hardships or obstacles that would hinder you from pursuing higher education and achieving your goals if you did not receive this financial assistance. It should also answer the following questions:

1. Why should you receive this scholarship?
2. What is your career and/or academic goals and why?
3. What is something you would do if you knew you couldn't fail?
4. What are the top 3 values that you try to live your life by and why?
5. Who has influenced you most and how?



Scholarship Letter of Recommendation Form

I, _____, am applying for the Nemec Abbott Foundation Scholarship. I authorize you to provide the foundation with the requested information about me.

Applicant Signature

Date

Please include the requested information below in your recommendation letter. When complete, please send letter to inquiries@nemecabbott.org or 140 W. Evans St., Suite 201, Florence SC 29501.

- What is your relationship to the applicant?
- How long have you known the applicant?
- Please explain why you feel this applicant has the qualifications and characteristics to be successful as he/she pursues a higher education.
- Reference name, signature, date of completion.
- Contact information.