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2026 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

General Information to Applicants

This scholarship is designed to assist graduating seniors of Challis High School and enrolled College students (former graduates of Challis High School) who wish to continue their education at a college, university, or trade school.

The amount of each scholarship is \$1,000. In 2026, two scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors of Challis High School and two scholarships awarded to returning college students (former Challis High School graduates).

A complete packet(s) of all required documents shall be received no later than February 6, 2026. **Packet(s) received which are missing any required documents, signatures or dates will be eliminated from consideration for this scholarship.**

Eligibility Criteria

1. Graduating seniors must be graduating from Challis High School.
2. Returning college students must be former graduates of Challis High School and provide proof thereof.
3. The Applicant must intend to continue his/her education at a two- or four-year accredited college, trade school or university.
4. The Applicant shall have made application and been accepted to an institute of higher learning.
5. The successful Applicant will be selected based on information provided on the Application and all supporting documents. Need is not necessarily a guideline for selecting scholarship recipients, but all items being equal, it may be used in determining awardees. The major criteria are the student's academic record, demonstrated achievement or leadership, and answers to questions on the form and essay.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Required Documentation

1. Graduating Challis High School seniors are **required** to provide all the following documents as listed in Items a through c below:
 - a. Completed application and essay in type written form, signed, dated and submitted online.
 - b. An official transcript with **school seal** of applicant's high school grades including the first semester of applicant's senior year.
 - c. Provide one (1) current letter of recommendation.

Note: Official transcripts can be dropped off at CusterTel's office or mailed to: Po Box 324 Challis, Id 83226.

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2. Returning college students (former graduates of Challis High School) are required to provide all the following documents as listed in Items a through d below:
 - a) Complete application and essay in type written form, signed, dated and submitted online.
 - b) An **official** transcript(s) of applicant's grades for the first semester.
 - c) Provide one (1) current letter of recommendation.
 - d) Copy of diploma or **official** final transcript with graduation date, indicating self is a former graduate of Challis High School.

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3. Finalists may be asked to appear for a brief interview.
4. Successful applicants must enroll within the academic school year (Fall 2026 or Spring 2027) or forfeit the award. The check will be made out jointly to the applicant and college, trade school or university and mailed to the school.
5. Successful applicants to be notified on or before March 1, 2026.

Must complete the application online at
<https://custertel.net/community/scholarships>
and attach supporting documents.