

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Zion Lutheran Church will award a scholarship to any certified post-secondary education institution. Two \$350 scholarships will be awarded for the 2026-2027 school year. There is a limit of two scholarships that will be awarded to any one individual during their post-secondary education.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

- ∴ Applicant must be a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD.
- ∴ Applicant must be involved in church and school/community activities. College students must attend a church or Christian campus ministry in the location of their college/university.
- ∴ Applicant must have submitted an application to and/or have been accepted to a certified post-secondary education institution (college, vocational, technical, or trade school).
- ∴ Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Application forms must be completed and submitted to Ministry Coordinator Sandra for the Scholarship Committee by **April 16, 2026 at 3:00 PM.**

1. Complete all sections of the application form. Partially completed applications will not be considered.
2. Include verification of your grade point average by submitting a copy of your transcript.
3. List your involvement in church and school/community activities.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The recipient of the scholarship will be asked for a copy of the acceptance and/or enrollment for the post-secondary institution of choice. The scholarship funding will be mailed directly to the school. If you do not attend a post-secondary institution in the 2026-2027 school year, you will forfeit your scholarship. However, you are welcome to reapply for the next round of scholarship awards.

If you currently are a college/university student, complete this section:

What church or campus ministry do you regularly attend while at school?

Major field of study:_____ Minor:_____

Name of College/University_____

Address of College/University_____

Current cumulative GPA_____

Signature of registrar who verifies this GPA

(Signature)

(Date)

Please submit a copy of your transcript with the application.

All applicants (both high school and college) should attach a separate sheet(s) with the following information. Please type your responses.

1. List the church activities in which you have been involved at Zion or at another church (if at another church, please list the name and address of the other church).
2. List the high school/college and community activities in which you have been involved, other than church.
3. List jobs you have held or other work-related activities while in school.
4. Write a 200-400 word essay on this question: Pretend you are speaking to a group of Confirmation students at Zion. What would you say to them about what faith has meant to you in the past year?

Submit all materials to Zion Lutheran Church no later than 3:00 PM on April 16, 2026.
You may scan your application and email directly to zlcaberdeen@gmail.com