



# **COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SWITZERLAND COUNTY, INC.**

## **LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION & INSTRUCTIONS**

The Community Foundation of Switzerland County, Inc.  
operates and administers this scholarship without discrimination.

**Be sure to review the Application Requirements. Applications Must Be Typed.**

### **Application Requirements:**

- Minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Must be a graduate from Switzerland County High School or resident of Switzerland County
- Must be receiving/have received an Academic Honors Diploma
- SAT scores are taken into consideration
- Financial Need: must be willing to submit an online *College Costs Estimator* and give approval for a report to be sent to the Community Foundation
- Activities (community service, school activities & work experience) are taken into consideration
- Essay required
- Must participate in a monitored, 45-minute writing session
- Will attend an Indiana college or university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
- Will be entering college for the first time in the fall of 2012
- Must plan on pursuing a full-time baccalaureate course of study (4-year program)
- Are of good character and are willing to be held to a higher expectation level in all facets of life
- Are willing to sign a Code of Conduct Agreement

### **Criteria:**

- Academic Performance: 25% - Measurements include: GPA of 3.0 or above; SAT scores; Academic Honors Diploma required.
- Financial Need: 25% - Based on *College Costs Estimator* report from the National Center for College Costs.
- Activities: 25% - Measurements include: Involvement in school activities, community service, and work experience. Consideration on quality of service, not quantity.
- Writing Samples: 25% - Measurements include: Responses to the questions, ideas, organization, creativity, grammar and overall impression. Must be typed following instructions.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED  
AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S OFFICE  
BY 4:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012.**

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The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship will provide full tuition for four years of undergraduate study leading to a baccalaureate degree, all required fees, and up to \$900 a year for required books and equipment. The scholarship is good at any Indiana public or private college or university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Anyone receiving the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship is required to notify all other scholarship committees applied to that you are a Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. Any other scholarships that are for tuition only must be declined.

### **CHECK LIST**

Use the following checklist to be sure you have included all of the information necessary to be considered for the scholarship.

**Please put your packet together in the following order and staple it once in the upper left hand corner. Please do not place your application inside a folder or any other binding cover.**

- General Information Page
- Activities List
- Required Essay
- Transcript Request Page
- Certification/Affirmation Page
- A copy of the College Costs Estimator confirmation page you will complete online and/or the College Costs Estimator instruction page with your name and confirmation number written on it.

**Please see the last page for instructions on how to complete the online College Costs Estimator. The College Costs Estimator must be completed by 4:00 p.m. on January 12, 2012. Failure to do so will result in the student being ineligible for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. If your family does not have access to the internet, please contact the high school guidance counselor or the Community Foundation at 812-427-9160 and we can make arrangements for you.**

*\*If you have completed a College Costs Estimator after September 1, 2011 contact the National Center for College Costs at 877-687-7291 to see if your previously submitted form can be used for scholarship purposes. Accurate, up-to-date information is required for all applicants and a new Estimator may be required even if one was submitted previously.*

- Parent(s)/Guardian(s)**, be sure to sign the Transcript Request page and the Certification/Affirmation Page.
- Applicant**, be sure to sign the Transcript Request page and the Certification/Affirmation page.
- Applicant, make sure that your name is included on every page that you submit.
- Make a copy of the complete application (including the College Costs Estimator) for your records.
- Lastly, turn completed application in to the Community Foundation office (303 Ferry Street in Vevay) no later than 4:00 p.m. on January 12, 2012. Late applications will not be accepted.

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**STUDENT IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION**

Using a separate sheet of paper, please provide us with the following information, **numbering your answers to coordinate with the question numbers below**. Must be typed.

1. Full Name- first name, middle initial, & last name
2. Permanent Home Address- street address, city, state, & zip code
3. Telephone Number
4. E-mail Address
5. Date of Birth
6. College You Plan on Attending and City & State in which it is located- if there is more than one choice, list your first preference first, etc.

**ACTIVITIES & ESSAY**

**ACTIVITIES**

Following the outline below, on a separate sheet of paper, please record your activities. List them in the order of importance to you within each of the three categories and include only hours spent outside the classroom. Include 4 years of high school activities. Must be typed and your name and page number should be indicated in the upper right-hand corner of the document.

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Year</i> <small>(Indicate Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior or Senior)</small>	<i>Avg. Hours per Year</i>	<i>Leadership positions, Awards, Letters earned, Recognition, Etc.</i>
<b><i>School Activities</i></b>			
<b><i>Community Service</i></b> <small>(Volunteer activities that benefit and improve the community)</small>			
<b><i>Employment</i></b> <small>(Provide your employer's name, the specific nature of the work and if your employment occurred during the school year or during the summer.)</small>			

**REQUIRED ESSAY**

Essays should be typed, doubled spaced, with 1" margins and each page identified with your name and page number in the upper right-hand corner.

**In 400 – 500 words, write an essay or short story that would make the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Selection Committee choose you as this year's Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. Be creative and unique.**

**MONITORED WRITING SESSION**

Applicants will be required to participate in a 45-minute monitored writing session. This session will occur immediately following a school day and will be scheduled following the application deadline. Applicants will be asked to bring any college acceptance letters they have received to the session.

**TRANSCRIPT REQUEST  
FOR THE LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

**REQUEST FOR TRANSCRIPT**

Following the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship deadline, the Community Foundation of Switzerland County will ask the guidance counselor to fill out this form and attach a transcript to it. You will only need to complete the "Student's Name" line (may be handwritten) and sign the Authorization at the bottom of this page.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

MI

**For High School Guidance Counselor to Complete:**

Please attach a copy of the student's transcript (must include first trimester of senior year) to this form.

Please provide the following information:

(If any of the below requested information is on the transcript, you will not need to provide it here.)

1. Academic Performance

Rank in class \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_

SAT: Critical Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Writing \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

2. Type of diploma the student will receive at graduation \_\_\_\_\_

3. Is applicant receiving other substantial aid to your knowledge? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please describe:

**AUTHORIZATION**

I (we) authorize Switzerland County High School to release the transcript for the above student to the Community Foundation of Switzerland County for use only on the determination of the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATION**

I CERTIFY THAT ALL THE INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY (OUR) KNOWLEDGE. If asked by any authorized official of the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, I (we) agree to give documentation for information given on this form.

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*All parties involved in this application must sign this certification in order to have the application considered.*

**AFFIRMATION FOR LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

“If I receive this scholarship, it is my intent to pursue four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at an Indiana college.”

“I understand that the total amount of my scholarship is calculated on the basis of my chosen college’s tuition and required fees beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.”

“To assist with the processing of my scholarship payments each semester or quarter and to avoid late fees, I will forward immediately to the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, Inc. immediately upon receipt all invoices for tuition and any eligible fees that may be covered by my scholarship.”

“I will account for and return to Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) any amount of the special allocation for required books and required equipment remaining at the end of each school year.”

“I agree to notify Independent Colleges of Indiana of any scholarship awards I may receive for tuition or required fees from a source other than the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.”

“I will keep the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, Inc. apprised annually by June 1st of my enrollment and academic status during college, by completing and returning any surveys or forms as may be provided by the Community Foundation.

“Upon graduation, I will keep the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, Inc. apprised annually by June 1st of my education and/or employment status for at least ten years after graduation, by completing and returning an alumni survey or other forms as may be provided by the community foundation.”

“I have applied to only one community foundation for this year’s Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.”

“If chosen, I give my permission to the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, Inc. to use any general, non-financial information provided in this application for public relations purposes and will provide a nonreturnable portrait-style photograph to the Foundation.

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*(By signing this, you are agreeing to all of the above.)*

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The National Center  
for College Costs

## ONLINE *COLLEGE COSTS ESTIMATOR* INSTRUCTIONS

Thanks to a grant from the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, we are pleased to bring you the free, confidential, *College Costs Estimator* service. Since you are applying for one or more need-based scholarships through the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, completion of the *College Costs Estimator* is required. Below are instructions to help you complete the form online:

**Step 1.** Connect to [www.indianacollegecosts.org/project/switzerland2012](http://www.indianacollegecosts.org/project/switzerland2012) using your favorite Internet browser.

**Step 2.** Read the welcome page carefully and then click on “Create a new account.”

**Step 3.** Complete the form with the appropriate information using your most current tax information and/or estimates.

**Step 4.** After completing the form, you will want to click on “Submit Your Estimator.” Here you can choose to have your report printed, mailed or emailed. You will then need to sign the release form by typing in both the parent and student names, and then submit your Estimator.

**Step 5.** You can now print the confirmation page (or write your confirmation number at the bottom of this form). The confirmation page and/or this page must be returned to the foundation with your application by the deadline stated in your scholarship application.

**\*\*You will be able to view your results at this time, but after verification and/or follow-up by our staff, the final result may vary.**

**Step 6.** Your *College Costs Estimator* report will be mailed to you, emailed to you, or brought to the workshop based on the option you chose.

**Step 7.** Attend the upcoming *College Costs Estimator* workshop:

**Date:** Wednesday, February 1

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Switzerland County High School

**Questions?** Call the National Center for College Costs toll free at (877) 687-7291 or email [info@collegecosts.com](mailto:info@collegecosts.com)

**NOTE:** If you were unable to print your confirmation page, please write the student’s name and confirmation number in the boxes below, and then submit this form back to the foundation with your application:

**Name**

**Confirmation Number**