



Kentucky State University Foundation CHI Saint Joseph Health Scholarship

CRITERIA FOR THE 2026 – 2027 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Eligibility

At a minimum, an eligible applicant must:

1. Be an undergraduate student.
2. Be enrolled full-time as an undergraduate at Kentucky State University and have declared a major in the KSU Nursing AAS program or in the BSN program.
3. Have completed at least 15 credit hours at the undergraduate level prior to submission and have been accepted in to the nursing program.
4. Must be enrolled in a minimum of (12) credit hours per semester that is aligned with the Nursing curriculum ladder.
5. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 or better on 4.0 scale.

Application Submission Requirements

Applicants must submit their application via email to MaryEllen.Broaddus@ksu.edu by Friday, August 1, 2026.

- Submit all required documents in one email with necessary attachments.
- Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted, and the application period is not anticipated to be extended.

TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION PACKET, YOU MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Applicant Information Form
- Personal Statement 300 – 500 words (no less and no more)
- Two (2) Letters of recommendation on letterhead from a core class professor.
- Once you have been accepted into the nursing program applicants must have one of the above letters of recommendation from a professor in the nursing department.
- Current & official transcript
- High resolution headshot photo of yourself.
- Statement of accuracy signed by the Nursing Program Administrator. Applications will be eliminated if you do not have this signature.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

- You must submit an essay no less than 300 words and not exceeding 500 words.
- The applicants name and students ID must appear on the top right corner of each page of the essay.
- The essay must be typed (double-spaced) in either Times New Roman or Ariel (font 12).
- The essay should clearly address the following:
 - Brief description about yourself, background and interest.

- What are your ultimate educational goals, and how you plan to achieve them? How will you give back to the nursing program or influence others as a result of your education?
- Why should you be awarded the scholarship (e.g., financial need, family responsibilities, etc.)?

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- Two (2) letters of recommendation from a core class professor must submitted to MaryEllen.Broaddus@kysu.edu.
- Once you have been accepted into the nursing program applicants must have one of the above letters of recommendation from a professor in the nursing department.
- Letters of recommendation must be on letterhead
- The letters should reflect:
 - The applicant's involvement in extra-curricular and/or leadership activities.
 - A description of the applicant's work ethic, initiative, responsibility and your creativity.

BUSINESS CASUAL PHOTO

- A high-resolution headshot photo of yourself. The photo should only display you!
- NO SELFIES, NO MIRRORED PICTURES, BODY POSING & HAND GESTURES!
- APPROPRIATE BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE

Examples: **ALL THREE ARE APPROPRIATE**



THESE THREE ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE!



TRANSCRIPT

- You must submit an official and current transcript.
- Contact the registrar office for a transcript at least 3-5 business days before the deadline.
- Do not wait until the last minute to request a transcript to allow processing.
- Applications will NOT be accepted without a current transcript.

If you are having problems obtaining your transcript. Contact the Nursing Scholarship Committee, Dr. Mary Ellen Broaddus at MaryEllen.Broaddus@kysu.edu or at 502-597-6958.