

Columbia County
Deputy Sheriff's Association
CCDSA

Annual
Scholarship
Award Program



About the CCDSA

The Columbia County Deputy Sheriffs Association (CCDSA) was formed by Deputies of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office in Portage, WI in conjunction with the Wisconsin Professional Police Association to create a community between local law enforcement officials in Columbia County and the public to promote better public welfare.

The association continues to work to facilitate local law enforcement, prevent crime, apprehend criminals and protect life and property of the citizens of Columbia County. The CCDSA strives to support law enforcement officers and public citizens.

The association takes pride in promoting benevolence and charity among the people by supporting the educations of future law enforcement students through financial scholarships.

Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association Scholarship Program

The Columbia County Deputy Sheriffs Association annual scholarship award program was developed to offer financial assistance to full-time students enrolled in Criminal Justice programs at any Wisconsin college or university. Its purpose is to encourage educational growth and professionalism among police officers and deputy sheriffs in the State of Wisconsin and more specifically, Columbia County.

Scholarships up to \$1000.00 will be awarded, and winners will be selected on a competitive basis. Any Columbia County resident that is enrolled or enrolling in a Wisconsin college and has a course of study leading to a degree in a law enforcement related field, is eligible. Previous CCDSA scholarship recipients are eligible.

Members of this Association's Scholarship Committee will select the scholarship recipients. All decisions made are final. The recipient must submit proof of his/her enrollment at an accredited college/university. Awards are not retroactive and may not be credited to semesters already completed. Recipient must be enrolled in the fall semester of 2025. After the student has submitted proof of enrollment, a check for the scholarship award will be given directly to the scholarship recipient.

If you have any questions, please contact CCDSA Scholarship Committee Member Det Sgt Chase Brock at the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, 608-742-4166, ext. 3311, or via email at chase.brock@columbiacountywi.gov or ccdsa.53901@gmail.com.





Scholarship Rules

1. Application must comply with the admission requirement as student in a law enforcement related program at a college or university in the State of Wisconsin.
2. TO APPLY:
 - a. Fill out and submit the attached Scholarship Application in its entirety.
 - b. Enclose three letters of recommendation from three separate sources, which may include family members, school, neighbor, clergy, employer, civic organization, law enforcement, etc.
 - c. Enclose an official transcript of your high school grades.
 - d. Enclose a recent photo.
 - e. Additional information may be attached as appropriate.
 - f. Scholarship applications must be emailed no later than **April 27, 2026** to:

Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association
ATTN: Det Sgt Chase Brock
chase.brock@columbiacountywi.gov

3. Failure to comply with instructions will result in ineligibility.

Thank You

“The Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association has long been a vital element in the continuing process of improving law enforcement standards. The Association cannot emphasize enough the importance of supporting our Association and its programs.

At this time, I would like to extend my warmest appreciation to the members of our Association for their contribution in implementing and maintaining this scholarship program.”

~ CCDSA President Wesley Austin-Nash

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Scholarship Application (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Name _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Date of Birth _____

Email Address _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Phone _____

High School _____ High School GPA _____

Year of High School Graduation _____

1. Are you currently enrolled as a full-time college student in a Criminal Justice related program?
 Yes No

If yes, which college are you enrolled at and what is your declared major/minor?

Anticipated graduation date: _____ (enclose official transcript if currently attending college)

2. Are you currently a high school senior?
 Yes No

If yes, which college(s) have you applied? _____

Date of application(s): _____ Have you been accepted? Yes No Not yet

What is or will be your declared major/minor? _____

Anticipated college graduation date: _____

3. List law enforcement activities in which you have participated:

4. Describe your involvement in volunteer, leadership, and extracurricular activities.
For example: Band, Sports, National Honor Society, Spanish club secretary, peer tutor, part-time job as a cashier, or captain of high school swim team, etc.:

5. Honors and awards received:

6. What Criminal Justice career path have you chosen and why?

7. What are your long-term goals in the Criminal Justice field?

8. How will you benefit from Criminal Justice training and how will you apply your training to better society?

9. Please describe why you should be chosen to receive this scholarship?

