

Specific Criteria for Scholarship Consideration 2026

Scholarship	General Criteria
General (\$500)	Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale Kansas resident & U.S. citizen Letter of acceptance into a nursing program Pure ADN program or 2nd year of a 1-1 program Personal narrative of anticipated role in nursing 2 original letters of reference: faculty advisor, employer Enrolled in 6 or more hours per semester Nationally accredited Priority of consideration: 1.RNs pursuing BSNs 2. Graduate & post-graduate nursing study 3. Certificate nursing programs—Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner 4. Students enrolled in undergraduate RN programs
Dorothy Astle KSNA District 7 (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. KS resident with preference for applicants from Barton, Edwards, Pawnee, Reno, Rice, Rush & Stafford counties 2. Awarded according to the following priorities in descending order a. Enrolled in basic undergraduate nursing program b. RNs pursuing BSNs if no basic undergraduates are applicable or apply
Dr. Charles J. Beauchamp (\$500)	Additional Criteria Criteria are in order of priority 1. RN pursuing graduate education (nursing or allied health) in Kansas or out of state with a written statement to teach in nationally accredited nursing program 2. Male RN pursuing graduate education with intent to teach in a nursing program at any or all levels PhD program in nursing or related field with intent to direct or manage a nursing education program
Frank J. & Christine R. Bouska Family (minimum \$300)	Additional Criteria 1. Applicant must reside in Western Kansas (west of U.S. Highway 81) 2. Admitted to Kansas MSN-FNP program 3. Kansas RN to practice one year in rural (federally designated) Kansas town as an FNP 4. If none of above pertain, CNS, CNM, or CRNA to practice one year in rural (federally designated) Kansas Recipient to submit narrative of how funds will be/were beneficial in the education process and highlight rural practice
Ellen K. Carson (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Only to students enrolled at either Pittsburg State or Washburn schools of nursing (alternately); PSU in 2012, WU in 2013, PSU in 2014, etc. 2. Priority to BSN students then, MSN students
Patricia Devine (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. MSN in psychiatric nursing 2. Established career in psychiatric nursing in Kansas working on BSN If no applicant meets above criteria, it may be awarded at the discretion of the KNF Scholarship Committee

Rose Mary Vopat Dlabal (\$300)	Additional Criteria 1. RN to BSN program, in or out of state, with written intent to teach nursing in Kansas 2. PhD nursing program or related field with written intent to teach nursing in a Kansas master's or higher program 3. MSN in nursing education (education track), on-campus or online, with written intent to teach in a Kansas nursing program Nursing education research funds or nursing education research conference (poster/podium)
Kansas Alliance of Advanced Nurse Practitioners (\$500)	Additional Criteria
KSNA District 1 (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. KSNA member or local NSNA (Baker University or Washburn University) 2. GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale 3. Undergraduate or graduate nursing program 4. Demonstrated leadership 5. Documented active professional/volunteer participation 6. RNs with other equal graduate program Remain a KSNA member
KSNA District 2 (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Reside in Johnson, Leavenworth, or Wyandotte counties for at least one year
KSNA District 7 – South Central Region (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Only to students enrolled at either Barton Community College or Hutchinson Community College applicants (alternately) 2020 Hutch CC and 2021 Barton CC, etc. 2. Only to student enrolled in the final year of the respective programs 3. If the awarding college for a certain year, has no applications submitted, may be awarded to the alternate college if applications submitted
Carla A Lee KSNA Dist. 6, Inc (\$300)	Additional Criteria 1. Must be a KSNA member for 1 year 2. Undergraduate generic BSN Program
William L. "Butch" Luzier (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Living in or attending school in Southeast Region of KSNA (McPherson, Marion, Harvey, Sedgwick, Butler, Greenwood, Woodson, Allen, Bourbon, Sumner, Cowley, Elk, Wilson, Neosho, Crawford, Chautauqua, Montgomery, Labette, and Cherokee) 2. Student (not an RN) enrolled in an undergraduate Kansas nursing program 3. Kansas RN-BSN program (KSNA member) 4. Graduate or post-graduate Kansas Nursing program (KSNA member) If no one meets the additional criteria funds are to revert to the principle

Morgan-Sanders (\$500)	Additional Criteria - Given according to the following priority - RNs pursuing BSN - Graduate students in nursing education, nursing administration, or adult education with priority to masters and then, doctoral levels - Non-academic nursing or nursing-related programs leading to certification (e.g. childbirth educ., certified diabetes educ. (CDE) - Undergraduate students enrolled in BSN programs - Undergraduate students enrolled in ADN programs - Restrictions: CNS, NP, CNM & CRNA not eligible
Florence Nelson (\$300 or \$500)	Additional Criteria - RN to BSN - Graduate or post-graduate nursing program - Formal APRN program - Undergraduate nursing program
Joyce Olson (\$500)	Additional Criteria Priority of Consideration - RN to BSN - Graduate or post-graduate program - Formal nursing program (APRN) - Undergraduate nursing program
Norma Parker-KSNA District 18 (\$500)	Additional Criteria - Resident of Geary, Riley, Pottawatomie, or Wabaunsee counties - Priority of consideration: - Undergraduate nursing program - RN pursuing BSN - Graduate or post-graduate nursing program - Formal APRN, etc.
Sr. Mary Leon Pirotte (\$500)	Additional Criteria A resident of one of the following counties: Jewell, Republic, Washington, Cloud, Clay, Ellsworth, Lincoln, Dickenson, Mitchell, Ottawa, or Saline and/or a graduate of Marymount or their direct descendant If no applicant meets above criteria, it may be awarded at the discretion of the KNF Scholarship Committee
Patsy Quint Occupational Health Nurses (\$500)	Additional Criteria - RNs currently in Occupational Health pursuing a BSN - Occupational Health Nurse pursuing a MSN or doctoral degree with emphasis on Occupational Health
RN-BSN Completion Scholarship (The remaining annual interest/earnings after the annual KNF maintenance fee and return of 5% of the interest earnings to the principal)	Additional Criteria - Only applicants who are Kansas residents are eligible - The Scholarship shall be given to applicants enrolled in a Kansas RN-BSN completion program - If there are no qualified RN-BSN completion applicants, MSN/PhD/DP applicants may be considered
Connie Scheffer PHN (\$500)	Additional Criteria - RNs pursuing a BSN and employed in a public health setting - Graduate or post-graduate study in public health nursing or public health (e.g. master in public health) If no applicant meets above criteria, it may be awarded at the discretion of the KNF scholarship committee

James E. Seitz KANS (\$300)	Additional Criteria 1. Not currently enrolled as a RN 2. GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale 3. Current KANS membership required 4. Letter from faculty sponsor of the local KANS chapter (no longer than one page to include committee involvement/offices held, volunteer or school activities, and work experiences applicable)
Ernestine Shaw (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Resident of Sedgwick or Sumner counties 2. Undergraduate nursing program 3. RN to BSN 4. Graduate or post-graduate study
Glenn & Greta Snell (\$1,000)	Additional Criteria 1. Undergraduate RN program & employed by Hutchinson Regional Medical Center and/or an agreement of employment for one year, if not employed 2. RNs pursuing BSN and employed by Hutchinson Regional Medical Center and/or an agreement of employment for one year, if not employed 3. RNs accepted by a nursing program to prepare for a faculty position in Kansas 4. RN with BSN and accepted by a graduate program with a major in nursing supervision, nursing administration for a position in Kansas 5. If no applicant meets above criteria, it may be awarded at the discretion of the KNF scholarship committee
Roberta D. Thiry (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. Kansas residents enrolled in a Kansas nursing program 2. Given according to the following priorities in descending order a. RNs enrolled in BSN completion program at Kansas Wesleyan University b. Students enrolled in 3rd or 4th year of BSN nursing program at Kansas Wesleyan University c. Students enrolled in master's or doctoral nursing programs with priority to student from Mitchell, Lincoln, Ellsworth, Saline, Ottawa, or Dickenson counties d. Students enrolled in other BSN or graduate nursing programs 5. If no one meets the additional criteria funds are to revert to the principle
Hester I. Thurston (\$500)	Additional Criteria Graduate or post-graduate nursing study 1. RN to BSN 2. Formal nursing program (APRN) Undergraduate nursing program
L. Joy Walker (\$500)	Additional Criteria 1. LPN to RN 2. RN to BSN 3. Graduate nursing programs 4. If no one meets the additional criteria, funds are to revert to the principle

RESEARCH GRANT

CRITERIA

Elizabeth See (\$500)	1. KSNA member requesting funds to conduct nursing-directed research including thesis and dissertations 2. Scientific work can include historical, descriptive, empirical, and experimental projects
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