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Application for Indiana Teaching Scholarship is Open

Students have until January 31 to apply for a renewable \$10,000 scholarship

(INDIANAPOLIS) – The [Indiana Commission for Higher Education](#) is currently accepting applications for the [Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship](#), which provides up to \$40,000 of financial aid to aspiring teachers.

High-achieving high school and college students who plan to teach in Indiana for at least five years can receive up to \$10,000 per year of college (up to \$40,000 total) from the scholarship. Students must apply by January 31, 2025, at [ScholarTrack.IN.gov](#).

To qualify for the scholarship, students must meet **one** of the following academic requirements:

- Rank in the top 20% of their high school graduating class **OR**
- Have a top 20th percentile score on the ACT (25) or SAT (1110) **OR**
- Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

Entering its ninth year, the Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship is building Indiana’s teacher pipeline. Nearly 90 percent of the scholarship recipients from the inaugural cohort are actively teaching in Hoosier classrooms or continuing their education beyond a bachelor’s degree. Additionally, a record-breaking 945 students applied for the scholarship last year, a 58 percentage point increase over the previous year.

“The Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship is a proven program for advancing Hoosier teacher recruitment and retention,” said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Chris Lowery. “High-quality, motivated educators increase student success, and this opportunity helps attract Indiana’s best and brightest to the teaching profession.”

To continue earning the scholarship while in college, students must annually file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), earn at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, and complete at least 30 credit hours. Additionally, current college students who apply must be able to use the scholarship for at least two full academic years.

The Commission will notify applicants of their scholarship status via email in April 2025. Visit [Learn More Indiana](#) for more information and follow #NextTeacher on social media to stay updated on scholarship announcements.

Questions can be directed to NextTeacher@che.in.gov.

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About the Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Created in 1971, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education plans, coordinates, and defines Indiana’s postsecondary education system to align higher learning with the needs of students and the state. The Commission also administers Indiana’s financial aid programs, including the [21st Century Scholars](#) early college promise scholarship, which celebrated 30 years in 2020.