

2024

*The John G. Blakesley Mathematical
Excellence Scholarship*

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY 01

Application available online at InspiringGood.org.

MARCH 06

Application deadline.

MARCH 27

Each school will report its top nominee
to the Community Foundation.

MAY 10

Community Foundation will notify
scholarship recipients.

*The recipient will be awarded
approximately \$1,750 a year for each of
four years for a total award of \$7,000.*

The Blakesley Scholarship

The Blakesley Scholarship recognizes exceptional, early aptitude in mathematics by an eighth-grade student completing math honors coursework. This scholarship inspires the development of mathematical interest and understanding.

How To Apply

1

Visit InspiringGood.org/middle-school-scholarships/



2

Complete the online application.

3

Submit the online application.



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**A GRADUATING
8TH GRADE STUDENT**
Scholarship Opportunity



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About John G. Blakesley

John G. Blakesley was born in Goshen, Indiana on February 26, 1931 and was raised in Syracuse, Indiana. He attended New Paris High School as a freshman, winning math awards while attending school there. After moving to Ft. Wayne with his family, he graduated from Ft. Wayne Central High School in 1949, where he again won numerous awards in mathematics. John graduated from Yale University in 1954, majoring in economics and political science.



JOHN G. BLAKESLEY

1931 - 2011

John's Legacy

Cheryl Weaver, John's niece who served as executor of his estate: "My Uncle John valued education, and he worked very hard to pay his way through college. The education he received helped pave the way for him to enjoy the many things he was lucky to do in life. He wanted to make sure others had the same opportunity. Because of this, he asked me, his niece, to create two scholarship funds for the youth in the Elkhart County area. It is a great honor to personally be involved in my Uncle John's legacy."

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Scholarships Awarded

The Community Foundation of Elkhart County is proud to offer a four-year scholarship to an Elkhart County graduating eighth-grade student, to be applied toward four years of higher education.

The Committee will review the nominee applications and select one recipient. The recipient of the John G. Blakesley Mathematical Excellence Scholarship will be awarded approximately \$1,750 a year for each of four years for a total award of \$7,000. A new recipient will be selected each year.

Eligible Individuals:

- Student with exceptional aptitude in mathematics
- Graduating eighth-grade student residing in Elkhart County.
- Student having completed math honors coursework.
- Student planning to attend an accredited college and enroll in a four-year degree program the fall after their high school graduation.

Ineligible Individuals:

During the two-year period prior to and including the submission of these scholarship applications, the immediate family members of the Community Foundation's full-time and part-time staff and the Career Pathways Committee are not eligible for these scholarships.

During the one-year period prior to and including the submission of these scholarship applications, the immediate family members of the Community Foundation Board of Directors and advisory committees are not eligible for these scholarships.