

# **EAST VANDERGRIFT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

## **for applicants currently attending a college, university or trade school FACT SHEET**

The East Vandergrift Community Foundation will be accepting Scholarship Applications starting January 1, 2026, through May 31, 2026. Scholarship Awards will be announced and awarded by December 31, 2026.

➤ **One \$1000 Scholarship will be given in 2025:**

1. To a Junior or Senior or Graduate Student attending an accredited College or University, or to an individual attending an accredited Trade School/Program that has completed 50% of their education/program by December 31, 2025.
2. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the college, University, Trade School/Program of the recipient.

➤ **Eligibility- the applicant must:**

1. Be a graduate of a Westmoreland or Armstrong County High School
2. Reside in East Vandergrift or,
3. Have a relative that resides in East Vandergrift and will sponsor the applicant.
4. Complete the application and outlined requirements (as one package) and submit by the due date.

➤ **Scholarship awardees must agree to attend the required East Vandergrift Community Foundation Meeting/Event to accept the scholarship.**

➤ **Essay Topic- maximum 1,000 words**

The Foundation is looking for ideas and ways to improve the East Vandergrift community for its current residents and to attract new residents.

Select one idea that you foresee implementing in East Vandergrift to improve the economic output, increase employment or increase the appeal of East Vandergrift to current and future residents.

- How will you implement? What role will you play?
- What are the benefits?
- What support do you anticipate needing?
- What is the expected outcome?
- How could it be implemented as a long-term solution (greater than three years)?