

# Erin K. Dowell

## ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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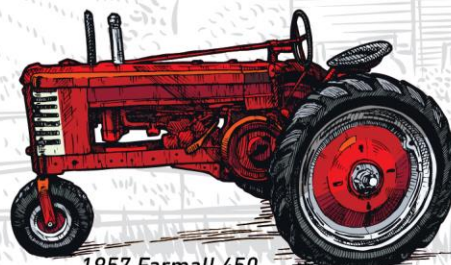
The Erin K. Dowell Scholarship was made possible by her father, Sidney L. Dowell, a life-long resident of Henderson County. Sid was predeceased by both his wives and all five of his children. Education was important to Sid mostly because he was not able to obtain a formal education past high school. He was a self-made man due to his work ethic and desire to better his life. Because of this, he wanted to make it possible for young people who have a desire but not necessarily the means or support to further their education. Upon his death, an endowment was created to fulfill his wishes. More than anything, Sid valued a strong work ethic. Over the years, he quietly gave to young people he saw working to improve their situation. This scholarship was created to help those kids.

This scholarship is open to a graduate of any high school (including GED) located in Henderson, Hancock, McDonough, Mercer, or Warren counties in the State of Illinois who desire to attend college, trade school or continuing education classes that would assist them with furthering their education and learning who show a financial need to meet their goals. This scholarship is open to high school seniors, college students, and adults who want to further their education. The scholarship is renewable. Financial awards will be based on need and can provide up to a full ride for eligible nominees.

The following priorities will be used to determine eligibility:

- Students who may not have other scholarship opportunities due to scholastic performance but possess the motivation to attempt and complete needed additional education training.
- Students who are unlikely to have the opportunity for further education or training without this award.
- Students who have unique or specialized educational needs not served by traditional scholarships.
- Students who have limited or lacking family support infrastructure to successfully compete for traditional scholarships.
- Students who work at a paying job to help support themselves and/or their family.
- Non-traditional students who have a desire to further their education.
- Students from Henderson County will receive priority.

Applicants can nominate themselves or be nominated for this scholarship by a teacher, principal, counselor, or their boss/supervisor at their job. An easy to fill out online form will be used for nominations and for completion of the scholarship by the nominated applicant on the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau website [whfarmbureau.org](http://whfarmbureau.org) under the Foundation tab. If a student does not have access to the internet or a computer, the nomination can be completed in person at the Warren Henderson Farm Bureau Office at 1000 North Main Street, Monmouth, IL 61462 or by mailing in the required form.



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