

CBL STATE SAVINGS BANK FOUNDATION

Scholarship



**4 YEAR COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY
SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES &
APPLICATION**

Community Scholarship Opportunity

To eligible students of Greenville & Spartanburg Counties.
See guidelines for requirements & application details.



APPLY TODAY.



Dear High School Senior,

Congratulations on nearing the completion of your high school journey! This is an exciting time filled with opportunities for growth, and at CBL State Savings Bank, we are proud to be a part of your future plans.

As a community-focused institution, we believe in the power of education in our local economies and beyond. That is why we are pleased to offer our CBL State Savings Bank Foundation Scholarship program, designed to help high-achieving students like you pursue careers in banking.

Through this program, we will award up to three \$5,000 scholarships to high school seniors who live in Greenville or Spartanburg counties and who plan to attend a four-year university or college, majoring in a field connected to the banking industry. Whether your interest lies in business, finance, accounting, or another related area, we are eager to support your journey as you prepare to enter this vital sector.

Attached to this letter, you will find the scholarship guidelines and application materials. Please review them carefully for detailed information on eligibility, requirements, and deadlines. To apply, complete the necessary forms and return pages 5 and 6 and all supporting documentation by the specified due date.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to advance your educational goals and contribute to the growth of our communities. We look forward to reviewing your application and wish you every success in your future endeavors.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us at 864-877-2054 or scholarships@mycbl.bank.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Jones". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jennifer Jones
President and CEO
CBL State Savings Bank



Scholarship Guidelines

4 YEAR College / University



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OVERVIEW

The CBL State Savings Bank Foundation administers a scholarship program designed to support the educational pursuits of high school seniors residing in Greenville and Spartanburg Counties, the communities CBL serves. This program reflects the Foundation's commitment to fostering future leaders in the banking industry and the skilled trades that support our local economies.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Scholarship applications will be accepted annually. All completed applications must be received by the close of business on March 1. If that date falls on a weekend, the deadline will shift to the preceding business day. Scholarship recipients will be selected and notified by May 15, with funds disbursed directly to the recipient's institution before the fall semester.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. **High School Senior Status:** Applicant must be a high school senior graduating in the current academic year.
2. **Geographic Location:** Applicant must live in Greenville or Spartanburg County.
3. **College Enrollment:** Applicant must be accepted into a 4-year degree program at an accredited college or university.
4. **Field of Study:** Applicant must plan to pursue a four-year degree in a banking-related field such as finance, accounting, business administration, economics, or cybersecurity.
5. **Academic Performance:** Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
6. **CBL Relatives:** Relatives of CBL State Savings Bank employees and directors are not eligible to apply for this scholarship. This includes, but is not limited to, spouses, children, grandchildren, siblings, parents, nieces, and nephews.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. **Completed Application Form:** All sections must be filled out accurately and completely.
2. **Personal Essay:** A personal essay (500–750 words) that outlines the applicant's career goals, demonstrates a strong interest in pursuing a career in the banking industry, and explains how receiving this scholarship will support them in achieving those goals.
3. **Letters of Recommendation:** Two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, or community leaders who can attest to the applicant's academic achievements, character, and potential.
4. **Official High School Transcript:** Must include the most recent grades and GPA.
5. **Proof of College Acceptance:** A copy of the acceptance letter from the college or university the applicant plans to attend.
6. **Resume:** A current resume highlighting academic achievements, extracurricular activities, work experience, and community service.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors based on academic performance, community involvement, leadership, clarity of career goals that align with the banking industry, and alignment with the Foundation's mission.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. **Submission Deadline:** All application materials must be submitted **by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2026.**
2. **Submission Method:** Applications can be submitted electronically via scholarships@myCBL.bank or mailed to 229 Trade Street, Greer, SC 29651.
3. **Notification:** Scholarship recipients will be notified by phone, email, or during their school's awards ceremony. Applicants who are not selected will not receive individual notification.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

1. **Amount:** The scholarship amount will be \$5,000.
2. **Number of Awards:** Up to three scholarships will be granted, with one scholarship awarded to each recipient.
3. **Disbursement:** Funds will be disbursed directly to the recipient's college or university to be applied towards tuition, fees, and other educational expenses.
4. **Renewal:** The scholarship is a one-time award and is not renewable.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For any questions or further information, please contact:

Jennifer Jones
864-877-2054
scholarships@mycbl.bank

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS

- **Start Early:** Begin gathering materials and writing the essay well before the deadline.
- **Proofread:** Ensure all parts of the application are free of errors.
- **Follow Instructions:** Adhere to all guidelines and submission requirements.

By adhering to these guidelines, applicants can effectively present their qualifications and aspirations, enhancing their chances of receiving the scholarship.



Scholarship Application

4 YEAR College / University



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Home Street Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
County:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
High School Name:	
Expected Graduation Date (MM/YY):	
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name:	

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Cumulative GPA (Weighted):	
Class Rank (if applicable)	
SAT/ACT Scores:	
Intended College/University:	
Planned Major/Field of Study:	
Have you been accepted?	

PLEASE ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE APPLICATION FOR CONSIDERATION:

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4. **Official High School Transcript:** Must include the most recent grades and GPA.
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CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

☐ I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any falsification of information may result in the disqualification of my application.

☐ If selected as the scholarship recipient, I understand the scholarship will consist of a single payment of \$5,000.00 and will be sent directly to the college or university to which I provided an acceptance letter with my scholarship application. The single payment will be sent directly to the school prior to the first semester.

☐ If selected as a scholarship recipient, I will maintain prompt and timely communication with representatives of CBL State Savings Bank. This includes responding to any requests for additional information, verifying enrollment at the institution of my choice, and providing necessary documentation to facilitate the proper awarding and disbursement of scholarship funds. Failure to maintain communication or provide requested information in a timely manner may result in delays or forfeiture of the scholarship.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

4. Completed applications, including all required documents, must be submitted **by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2026.**

- **Submit the completed application and supporting documentation to:**

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229 Trade Street
Greer, SC 29651

OR

Email: scholarships@myCBL.bank
