

2026 Winnebago County Board \$2100 Scholarship Program

*"To promote good citizenship and an awareness
and understanding of county government"*

APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Winnebago County Board Supervisor Name _____ District # _____

Graduation Date _____ Current GPA _____ Name of High School _____

School or institution of higher education you plan to attend after graduation _____

Intended major(s) _____

Essay Word Count _____ How did you hear about this scholarship program? _____

Which elected position would you run for? _____

Scholarship Checklist:

- ☐ Meet eligibility requirements as listed in the brochure.
- ☐ High school transcript with a GPA of at least 2.5
- ☐ Student plans to attend a post-secondary educational institution.
- ☐ Essay of 500 to 800 words addressing the essay topic: "If I were to run for any Winnebago County Elected Position, which one would I run for and why?"
- ☐ Essay is typed with Arial, 11 Font, 1 inch margins and double spaced with the word count on the bottom of the last page.
- ☐ Paper clip your application in the following order:
 - o Application Form
 - o Essay
 - o High School Transcript
- ☐ Submit completed application, essay and GPA transcript postmarked no later than Tuesday, March 31, 2026 to:
Winnebago County Clerk, PO Box 2806, Oshkosh, WI 54903-2806
or Email to: CountyClerk@WinnebagoCountyWI.Gov by March 31, 2026 at Midnight
or Drop off at Winnebago County Clerk's Office, 112 Otter Avenue, Suite 103, Oshkosh, WI by March 31, 2026 at 4:30pm

Required Signatures:

I prepared this application myself and certify that the information in it is accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

I reviewed this application, and believe, to the best of my knowledge; the essay was written unaided (except for use of appropriate research and reference materials).

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Teacher/School Principal & Title

Date: _____

Please follow all directions, or your application will not be considered.

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Winnebago County Board \$2100 Scholarship Tip Sheet

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In applying for the Winnebago County Scholarship, you are challenged to write an essay that answers the following question:

**"If I were to run for any Winnebago County Elected Position,
which one would I run for and why?"**

This tip sheet has been developed to offer general guidance to help you secure information on elected positions in County government.

General Information on Winnebago County Government:

Information on Winnebago County government can be found on the Winnebago County website home page at: <https://www.winnebagoountywi.gov/>

Elected Officials:

The following positions are Winnebago County Elected Officials: County Executive, Judges of Circuit Courts, District Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk of Courts, County Clerk, Treasurer, and Register of Deeds. To find the current elected officials in these positions: Go to the Winnebago County website home page; click on "GOVERNMENT", then "County Directory," and scroll to page 6 & 7.

County Board:

Winnebago County Board Supervisors are also elected officials. To access information about current County Board Members: Go to the Winnebago County website home page; click on "GOVERNMENT"; then "County Board of Supervisors". This page provides links to County Board meetings and committee meetings. To find your county board supervisor based on the geographic location of your home, go to the County Clerk page under the "DEPARTMENTS" tab; click on "Voting Information by Address." You will be able to type in your address to see who your current County Supervisor is.

County Directory:

To learn more about County Government, the County Board, and County Departments: click on the "County Directory" link under "GOVERNMENT" on the Winnebago County website home page. The directory includes information about federal, state and local government entities.

Additional Background on County Government

To obtain additional information about county government, fact sheets are available at the following website: <http://wicounties.org>

2026 Winnebago County Board Scholarship Program Essay Reviewer Critique Sheet

How well did the applicant.....

	1-2 points	3-6 points	7-10 points	Score
Understand the Essay Question	Indicates little understanding of the essay question.	Provides a moderate understanding of the essay question.	Thorough understanding of the essay question. Includes detailed supporting statements and examples.	
Includes relevant facts, examples and details	Key facts are missing from the essay and these omissions interfere with the reader's understanding.	Many important facts are provided in the essay	The essay includes needed detail information. The facts provided improve the reader's understanding of the writer's answer to the essay question.	
Develop the essay	The essay is missing important information or the essay lacks organization and is therefore difficult to understand.	The essay is organized. There are no examples provided and lacks to clarify the point being made.	The essay is written clearly and is easy to follow. The plan of organization is well developed. The writing is interesting and holds the reader's attention.	
Use correct punctuation, grammar, and spelling	There are more than three spelling errors and/or grammatical errors are repeated and distracting.	There are less than three spelling errors and few grammatical errors.	There are no spelling errors and no grammatical errors.	
TOTAL POINTS				