

Notes from past scholarship recipients

"When I saw the look on my mom's face as my name was announced, I knew just how much relief she felt... not only is it a gift to me, it's a saving grace for my family."

"I am honored to be a recipient of the Adams Family Foundation Scholarship. I thank you for your generous support of this award and for helping Nora Springs residents with financial aid for college."

"Education is very important to me. This scholarship will be a great help in attaining my degree."

"I cannot express how thankful I am to have received the \$10,000 scholarship. This scholarship not only relieved a great amount of financial stress for my family but it also proves to me how generous people are in this world. I will be forever grateful to you."

Exceptions

Both of the Adams Scholarships are intended to be used in the fall immediately following high school graduation. If a student chooses not to enroll in college or takes a year off, the scholarship is revoked. An exception may be made for hardship cases or extenuating circumstances.

A deferment of scholarship funds may be granted when a recipient enlists in the military immediately after high school graduation. To receive the scholarship funds, the recipient must enroll as a full time student in an accredited institution within one year of their official discharge from the military. The maximum length of deferment will be five years from the date of high school graduation.

In either case, a written request must be submitted to the NIACC Foundation. All decisions related to the deferment of a scholarship will be made by the Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa.

Students attending NIACC will have their scholarship credited directly to their bill in the fall and spring semesters of the award year.

Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa

Mission Statement

The Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa is a private foundation that awards scholarships, funds programs that promote excellence in education, and provides grants for projects that enhance the quality of life in Nora Springs and the surrounding community.



Adams Pioneer Family Cabin



Adams Family Foundation Scholarship



John R. Adams Academic Scholarship

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Adams Family Foundation Scholarships

John R. Adams, born and raised in Nora Springs, Iowa, established the original John R. Adams Academic Scholarship to reward students with academic promise. Adams valued the importance of education, particularly the academics. He believed that success in life could be enhanced if one could demonstrate strong communication skills and a solid understanding of mathematics.



Adams graduated from Nora Springs High School, attended Drake University and graduated from the University of Florida in 1956. He later

received his master's degree from the University of South Florida. His business career as a stock broker and financial advisor in Florida spanned over 40 years. Adams had a great appreciation of nature and the arts, especially classical music.

Although Adams settled in Florida, he always felt that his roots were in Iowa where his grandparents were among the early settlers in Nora Springs. Each fall and spring Adams looked forward to spending time in Nora Springs. He especially enjoyed having breakfast at the Nora Inn with the other farmers and keeping up with the latest farm and political news.

Adams enjoyed the challenge of helping others reach their potential. His belief in the importance of a good education prompted him to establish the John R. Adams Academic Scholarship for Nora Springs graduates in 2006.

Upon Adams' passing, the Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa, expanded the scholarships available beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. The John R. Adams Academic Scholarship and the Adams Family Foundation Scholarship are now awarded annually to deserving students.

The Board of Directors of the Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa looks forward to awarding scholarships to area students for years to come.

Eligibility

The basic eligibility requirements for both scholarships are as follows:

- Graduating senior at Central Springs High School
- Must have attended Central Springs High School for the junior and senior years.
- Must have been a resident within the boundaries of the original Nora Springs/Rock Falls school district for the junior and senior years.

There is one application for both awards. Students will be awarded only one scholarship. The awards shall be used for only tuition, room, board, fees and books.

To apply for this scholarship, contact the CSHS Guidance office or NIACC Foundation for web link.

The applications will be open from October 1 - March 1.

John R. Adams Academic Scholarship

Emphasizes academic achievement and outstanding community involvement.

Scholarships are for full-time study at any accredited college or university in Iowa.

Requires a minimum 3.0 GPA

This \$10,000* scholarship is renewable three times (a student may receive the award up to four years) provided the student maintains a 3.0 GPA or higher as verified by official transcripts.

Adams Family Foundation Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to all graduating students who meet the basic eligibility requirements.

Scholarships are for full-time study at any accredited vocational school, college or university.

This \$5,000* scholarship is renewable three times (a student may receive the award up to four years) provided the student maintains the GPA required for graduation in their course of study. GPA will be verified by official transcripts.

*Amount of scholarship may vary and will be determined annually by the Adams Family Foundation of Nora Springs, Iowa Board of Directors.

