

## The Central & Eastern Kentucky STEM Goes Red Carol Barr Fund Student Scholarship Awards

Thank you for your interest in applying for the 2024-2025 Central & Eastern Kentucky STEM Goes Red Scholarship. The American Heart Association's Go Red for Women movement developed this scholarship program in honor of Carol Barr, with the goal of bridging the gap between Central & Eastern Kentucky student's interests in pursuing a career in a STEM field (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and achieving their goals. The Central & Eastern Kentucky STEM Goes Red Scholarship will award:

- Five (5) one-time scholarships (made possible by The Hunt Family Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Young, Mrs. Mira Ball, and the Carol Barr Fund at the Blue Grass Community Foundation) of \$10,000 each to qualifying applicants.

### Qualification Requirements:

- 12<sup>th</sup> grade student currently attending a school in one of the following Kentucky counties: Adair, Anderson, Bath, Bell, Bourbon, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Greenup, Harlan, Hart, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, McCreary, Madison, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Mercer, Metcalfe, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Robertson, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Scott, Wayne, Whitley, Wolfe and Woodford
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Identify as female
- U.S. citizen/permanent resident of the U.S.
- Applying for funding for the following:
  - Attendance at a college or university with the intent to major in a STEM-related field
  - Attendance at a vocational or technical trade institution with a focus on earning a degree/certificate in a STEM-related field
- Past award recipients are not eligible to re-apply.

In addition to meeting the scholarship qualifications, a review committee will select finalists based on:

- Academic achievement
- Interest and commitment to pursue a career in a STEM field
- At least one letter of recommendation from an educator. Qualities should include maturity, motivation, self-confidence, leadership, interest & commitment to STEM, and potential for success.
- Five (5) paragraph essay (500 words maximum, typed, double-spaced, one-sided) which addresses two of the application questions.



Application submissions for the 2024-2025 Central & Eastern Kentucky STEM Goes Red Scholarship will be accepted via email to [EKYSTEMscholarship@Heart.org](mailto:EKYSTEMscholarship@Heart.org) between the dates of December 1, 2024 and March 17, 2025.

The five (5) awarded scholarship recipients ("Recipients") will be notified in April of 2025. All notifications are final. The Recipients and their parent/guardian ("Parent") will each be required to sign a Scholarship Letter Agreement with the AHA. Upon receipt of the signed Scholarship Letter Agreement, the AHA will authorize Gift of College to electronically send an e-gift card in the amount of the scholarship award that can be redeemed thru the Gift of College website into a 529 plan of the Recipients'/Parents' choice. The e-gift card will be sent to the Parents' email. Gift of College's website provides information about 529 plan options if a Recipient does not currently have a 529 plan account. This scholarship award is not an indication of any special or preferential status for Recipients regarding their potential participation in any other AHA offered or sponsored programs, or any future employment with the AHA. The gift card must be redeemed within 1 year of date of issuance or funds are forfeited and will be returned by Gift of College to the AHA.

For additional information, please contact [Mike.Turner@Heart.org](mailto:Mike.Turner@Heart.org)

#### Application Submission:

Email the following documents to [EKYSTEMscholarship@Heart.org](mailto:EKYSTEMscholarship@Heart.org) between the dates of December 1, 2024 and March 17, 2025. *Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

- Student Application
- Essay
- One (1) letter of recommendation
- One (1) copy of school transcript

#### Miscellaneous:

In the event that the operation or administration of the scholarship application or review process is impaired or prevented in any way for any reason, including, but not limited to fraud, change of condition, or other technical problems, AHA may in its sole discretion, either: (a) terminate the scholarship; (b) suspend the scholarship submission or review to address the impairment and then resume the scholarship in a manner that best conforms to the spirit of these rules; and/or (c) substitute other award(s) for any award set forth in these Rules that becomes unavailable for any reason. AHA reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any individual found to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the scholarship or acting in violation of these rules. Failure to execute and return any agreements with AHA that are conditioned on winning will result in such Winner's automatic forfeiture of his/her award with no substitution or alternative available. AHA's failure to enforce any term of these rules shall not constitute a waiver of



that or any other provision. Information provided by you for this scholarship is subject to AHA's privacy policy.

AHA is not responsible for: (i) electronic transmissions that are lost, late, stolen, incomplete, damaged, or misdirected; (ii) any problems or technical malfunctions, errors, omissions, deletions, defects, communication failures or (iii) causes beyond AHA's reasonable control that jeopardize the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of the scholarship. AHA will not be responsible if weather conditions, event cancellations, acts of God or other circumstances beyond their control prevent the award from being granted or the scholarship from taking place.

By submitting an application, participants and, if applicable, their parent or guardian, agree to release, discharge and hold harmless AHA and each of its affiliates, directors, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all injuries, claims, losses, damages, actions and/or liability arising out of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, participation in and/or entry into the scholarship or acceptance, delivery, possession, use or misuse of any award received. The determinations of AHA are final and binding with respect to any matter arising out of the interpretation or application of these rules.

Entrants agree and acknowledge that personal data submitted with an entry, including name, mailing address, phone number, and email address may be collected, processed, stored, and otherwise used by AHA and its affiliates for the purposes of conducting and administering the Contest. All personal information that is collected is subject to AHA's Privacy Policy, <https://www.heart.org/en/about-us/statements-and-policies/privacy-statement>.



## Student Application

**(Due by March 17, 2025)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a U.S. citizen? (check one)  Yes  No

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any honors or awards achieved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you attend a STEM Goes Red event? (check one)  YES  NO

If applicable, what inspired you most at the event? \_\_\_\_\_

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If applicable, list the College/University/Trade Institution you have applied or been accepted to in fall 2024: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of College/University/Trade Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated major/field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

**Essay:** Please submit a five (5) paragraph essay (500 words maximum, typed, double-spaced, one-sided) which addresses two of the following questions:

1. How will your study of a STEM major contribute to your immediate or long-range career plans?
2. Why are you interested in pursuing a STEM related degree?
3. Explain the importance of STEM in today's society.
4. What do you think the STEM industry will be like in the next 10 years?