



## **Board Procedure 500.10: Honors Awards Scholarships**

### Students

Any enrolled student may be considered for honors, awards, or scholarships that are awarded by the District. Qualifications for such awards will be established by the District.

The District's Board of Directors will grant a Director's Scholarship to any Iowa high school valedictorian or salutatorian, or equivalent, including the two highest scoring high school equivalency diploma (HSED) graduates in the District. The scholarship pays full tuition and fees if the student is enrolled on a full-time basis (at least 12 semester hours, no more than 18) within the District for each academic year.

The scholarship may be used up to three (3) years after high school, equivalency, or military service completion and may be renewed for a second year based upon a college GPA of 3.00 or above.

The college Provosts or Director of Adult Literacy Programs or their designees will submit the names and supporting documentation of nominees to the President. The President will send an award letter to the recipient(s), the college financial aid officers, Provosts, Director of Adult Literacy Programs and Board of Directors. The Board, in its discretion, may waive the provision of this policy requiring a high school valedictorian or salutatorian applying for a Director's Scholarship to have earned that distinction from an Iowa high school.

Students who complete a HSED from IVCCD will be eligible to receive a New Opportunities Scholarship to be used for enrollment of 6 credits or more per semester. The New Opportunities Scholarship is for \$800 and will be divided between two semesters. Students will receive \$400 for the first semester of enrollment; if they have a 2.5 GPA at the end of the first semester, they will receive another \$400 for the subsequent semester.

HSED graduates will receive at the time of graduation a certificate for the New Opportunities Scholarship that they will turn into the Financial Aid Office prior to enrollment. They will be able to claim the scholarship for up to three (3) years after HSED or military service completion. If the student has also been chosen as a recipient of the Director's Scholarship, the student will no longer be eligible for the New Opportunities Scholarship.

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