Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

If you have a child planning to enroll at any campus of the **University of Nebraska**, do not miss this scholarship opportunity!

The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship program is open to dependents of full-time employees and owner-operators of Crete Carrier Corporation, Shaffer Trucking, Hunt Transportation, Capitol Casualty Company, and Electronic Contracting Company.

Approximately $100,000 in scholarships will be awarded annually, with individual awards generally in the $4,000–$8,000 range. Funds can be used for tuition, fees, books, and other qualifying expenses. Scholarships are renewable annually for up to two or four additional years if continuing in an associate or bachelor's degree program through reapplication and good academic standing with a cumulative 2.000 GPA or above (and not on academic probation). **Students must apply/reapply for the scholarship by February 1 of each year**.

Consideration will be given to the following: financial need, participation in extracurricular activities, leadership, and academic achievement (GPA, class ranking, and ACT or SAT scores). Final selections will be made and announced by the University of Nebraska after their review.

Additional information on the scholarship program can be obtained from Kathy Haake at khaake@cretecarrier.com or 402-479-2037.

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INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Purpose

In 2005, Duane and Phyllis Acklie established a scholarship fund with the University of Nebraska Foundation in honor of their gifted daughter Dodie Acklie Nakajima. Dodie was a proud alumna and supporter of the University of Nebraska. The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship's purpose is to assist employees of companies owned by the Acklie family in providing an opportunity for their children to obtain a quality education at the University of Nebraska.

Eligibility

The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Scholarship program is open to dependents of current, full-time employees and owner-operators of Crete Carrier Corporation, Shaffer Trucking, Hunt Transportation, Capitol Casualty Company, and Electronic Contracting Company (collectively, the "Acklie Companies") who will enroll at any campus of the University of Nebraska for an undergraduate degree program.

Amount, Use, and Duration

Approximately $100,000 in scholarships will be awarded annually, with individual awards generally in the $4,000–$8,000 range. Funds can be used for tuition, fees, books, and other qualifying expenses (undergraduate only). The scholarships will be paid directly to the University of Nebraska.

Upon reapplication, the scholarship is renewable annually for not more than four additional years provided the student takes the minimum number of class hours required for full-time status, remains in good academic standing, and their parent continues to be a full-time employee at one of the Acklie Companies. **Recipients must reapply by February 1 of each year.**

Selection Criteria

Scholarship recipients will be selected using the following criteria: financial need, participation in extracurricular activities, leadership, and academic achievement (GPA, class ranking, and ACT or SAT scores). Final selections will be made and announced by the University of Nebraska after their review.

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HOW TO APPLY

Students will apply for the Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship through the **Supplemental Scholarship Application** for the University of Nebraska campus they will be/are attending for undergraduate study. Within the Supplemental Scholarship Application, there will be a question where applicants can answer that they are a dependent of an employee of Crete Carrier Corporation (which includes its subsidiary, Shaffer Trucking), Hunt Transportation, Capitol Casualty Company, or Electronic Contracting Company. Students will also indicate the employee's name and work email or driver code associated with the corresponding company. **Students must apply/reapply by February 1 of each year.**

Campus	**University of Nebraska–Lincoln (UNL)**	**University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK)** *Incoming Freshman*	**University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK)** *Current Students*
Application Location	**MyRED** portal under the Financial Aid tab	**MyBLUE** portal	**MyBLUE** portal
Application Opens	October 1	August 1	January 15
Apply By	February 1	February 1	February 1
Link to Additional Information	https://financialaid.unl.edu/types-funding/scholarships/	https://www.unk.edu/first-time-freshmen-scholarships.php	https://www.unk.edu/offices/financial_aid/continuing-student-scholarships.php
First-Year Student Additional Information	https://admissions.unl.edu/cost/supplemental-scholarship-app/ Must be admitted to access MyRED portal.	Must be admitted to access MyBLUE portal.	

Campus	**University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)**	**University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)**	**Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture (NCTA)**
Application Location	**MavLINK** portal's "apply for scholarships" link or https://unomaha.academicworks.com/	**MyRecords** student portal	NCTA's Scholarships web page
Application Opens	Mid-October	Mid-December	Mid-November
Apply By	February 1	February 1 for returning students, within 30 days of acceptance for new students	February 1
Link to Additional Information	https://mavlink.unomaha.edu/	https://www.unmc.edu/student-success/financial-aid/types/scholarships/index.html	https://ncta.unl.edu/scholarships/
First-Year Student Additional Information	Must be admitted to access MavLINK portal.	Must apply by 30 days after acceptance. Must be admitted to access MyRecords portal.	

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University of Nebraska–Lincoln (UNL)

Students attending UNL can access the supplemental scholarship application in their MyRED portal under the Financial Aid tab. The application opens October 1 and closes February 1. Additional information on the UNL supplemental scholarship application, including links to MyRED, can be found at **https://financialaid.unl.edu/types-funding/scholarships/** or at **https://admissions.unl.edu/cost/supplemental-scholarship-app/** for information specific to first-year students. Students can return to the supplemental scholarship application and update it any time prior to the February 1 deadline.

University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK)

Students attending UNK can access the scholarship application in their MyBLUE portal.
For **admitted incoming freshman students**, the application opens August 1 and closes March 1, though it is recommended students apply by February 1. Additional scholarship information for incoming freshman, including a link to MyBLUE, can be found at **https://www.unk.edu/first-time-freshmen-scholarships.php**.

For **current UNK students**, the application in MyBLUE opens January 15 and closes March 1, though it is recommended students apply by February 1. Additional scholarship information for current students, including a link to MyBLUE, can be found at **https://www.unk.edu/offices/financial_aid/continuing-student-scholarships.php**.

University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

Students attending UNO can access the scholarship application through the portal by using the "apply for scholarships" link in MavLINK, which is accessible at **https://mavlink.unomaha.edu/** or by going directly to the portal at **https://unomaha.academicworks.com/**. Applications will open in mid-October. It is recommended students apply by February 1.

University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)

Students attending UNMC can complete the scholarship application in MyRecords, an internal student portal accessible via **https://www.unmc.edu/student-success/financial-aid/types/scholarships/index.html**. It will be open in mid-December. The application deadline is May 1, though it is recommended that students apply by February 1. New students must apply by 30 days after acceptance in the academic program.

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture (NCTA)

NCTA does not follow the same Supplemental Scholarship Application process as the other University of Nebraska campuses. Students attending NCTA can complete a simplified application for this scholarship on their Scholarships web page accessible via **https://ncta.unl.edu/scholarships/.** It will be open in mid-November. Eligible students may contact NCTA's financial aid office with any questions about the Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship: **https://ncta.unl.edu/admission-ncta/financial-aid-and-scholarships/**.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Is the program open to dependents of all Acklie Companies, including those in states other than Nebraska?

    - Yes. While the dependent must be an undergraduate attending one of the University of Nebraska campuses, all dependents of current full-time employees, regardless of the state of residency, are eligible to participate.

2. Who is a "dependent"?

    - For purposes of the scholarship, a dependent is your natural child, adopted child, or legal stepchild.

3. If my spouse were planning on going to school, would he or she be eligible?

    - This scholarship program is for dependents of current employees, not their spouses. We know the value of education and commend your spouse or other family member planning to continue their education; however, this scholarship program is only for dependents pursuing their first undergraduate degree.

4. Will special consideration be given to children with specific career goals?

    - No special consideration is given to students pursuing specific degrees or career paths. This scholarship program was not developed to aid any of the company's recruitment goals but simply to provide assistance to dependents of Acklie Company employees in furthering their education.

5. What happens if my child receives a scholarship and I leave the Acklie Company after the scholarship has been paid for the current semester?

    - Any funds that have been disbursed to date will not have to be repaid. Further payments will not be made after the date the employee leaves the company.

6. What if my child will be attending college on a part-time basis?

    - The program does not apply to part-time students.

7. What happens if my child receives a scholarship, loses good academic standing or full-time student status, but then has his/her academic standing reinstated?

    - Once good academic standing or full-time status is lost, the scholarship will end. Additionally, if a recipient is on academic probation more than one semester, the scholarship will end. Your child may reapply for the scholarship after regaining academic standing or upon being back to full-time status.

8. What if the college costs are less than the scholarship amount?

    - It is unlikely this will occur. If it does, only an amount up to the actual eligible college costs will be paid.

9. What role does financial need play in the selection process?

    - Financial need is only one of the selection criteria for the scholarship; no single selection criteria is determinative. Scholarships to recipients who do not have demonstrated financial need will typically be at lesser amounts than scholarships to recipients with financial need.

10. Does a student have to fill out the FAFSA to be eligible for this scholarship?

    - Candidates may be considered for this scholarship even if they do not complete the FAFSA; however, if they are hoping to demonstrate financial need, they should be sure to complete the FAFSA application. All of the University of Nebraska campuses use the FAFSA to determine financial need.

11. Can more than one child from a family apply for and receive scholarships at the same time?

    - Yes.

12. If a student, once being selected for the scholarship, chooses to wait a year or more before attending school, will the scholarship still be theirs or will the student need to reapply?

    - The student will need to reapply.

13. Does the student have to apply before they start their first year, or may they apply any time during their educational career?

    - The student may apply at any time during their undergraduate career at the University of Nebraska.

14. What if the student does not graduate in four years?

    - The student can continue to reapply until the recipient obtains an undergraduate degree up to a maximum of ten consecutive semesters.

15. What costs can the scholarship go toward?

- Tuition, fees, books, and other eligible expenses (for undergraduate students only) as defined by the Internal Revenue Service.

16. Does the student have to live on campus?

- No, the student simply has to be a full-time student attending the University of Nebraska for on-campus courses or approved online degree programs.

17. How many scholarships will be awarded each year?

- The number of scholarships awarded will vary each year. The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship Fund is an endowed scholarship designed to give approximately $100,000 in total scholarship awards each year. The University of Nebraska may award scholarships in varying amounts, generally in the $4000–$8,000 range per scholar.

18. If the student is awarded a scholarship, does the student need to apply for the scholarship for each year the student will be attending the University of Nebraska?

- **Yes. Scholarship recipients must submit a new application by February 1 of each year**.

19. Who should students contact if they have scholarship questions or if they have problems applying?

- Contact Kathy Haake at khaake@cretecarrier.com or 402-479-2037 for questions regarding the scholarship.

- Contact the campus's financial aid department for help with technical problems.
  - UNL – Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid | financialaid@unl.edu | 402-72-3484 ext. 2
  - UNO Financial Support and Scholarships | unofinaid@unomaha.edu | 402-554-2327
  - UNK Office of Financial Aid | finaid1@unk.edu | 308-865-8520
  - UNMC Office of Financial Aid | finaid@unmc.edu | 402-559-4199
  - NCTA Scholarship and Financial Aid Office | nctafinancialaid@unl.edu | 308-367-5207