

A PROGRAM OF THE JACKSON  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

# Jackson Legacy Scholarship

## Important Dates!

**March 1st- Scholarship Deadline**

**May 31st-DUE-Volunteer Tracking Form**

**If the due date falls on a holiday or  
weekend, the due date is the next  
Business Day.**



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## Jackson College Access Center

### Jackson College Access Center

The Jackson Community Foundation believes in you and your success. One of the supports that we have put in place for you is the College Access Center which operates in the Jackson Crossing Mall. You can visit the College Access Center during their normal hours of operation (Monday—Thursday: 11-6, Friday; 11-4, Saturday, 11-2). We are here to help with:

- Scholarship searches
- Assistance with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and other financial aid programs
- Assistance with college planning: applications, visits, degree programs, etc.
- Career counseling

The College Access Center is partially funded through the three local institutions of higher education:

**Baker College of Jackson**

**Jackson Community College**

**Spring Arbor University**



**Jackson**  
CollegeAccessCenter

**(517) 990-0671**

**Located in the Sears wing of the**

**Jackson Crossing Mall**

## Scholarship Application & Renewal

The Jackson Legacy Scholarship application is available on-line at <http://jacksonlegacy.egrant.net/>

Student will be notified via a congratulations letter sent to applicants address.

### Scholarship Renewal

To remain eligible, students **must re-apply** for second year funding by submitting a new Jackson Legacy program application package, which includes:

1. Jackson Legacy Program Scholarship Application—both electronically and hard copy must be submitted.
2. Proof that you have applied for Federal Student Aid is required. Acceptable proof documents include the FAFSA Confirmation page, a Student Aid Report. **Your application will not be eligible without this information.** Do not hesitate to contact the Jackson Community Foundation (517-787-1321) with questions.
3. Current Academic Transcript—high school transcript first year, college transcript second year.

The complete application package must be delivered to the Jackson Community Foundation office or the College Access Center by 5:00 pm on March 1 (if this date falls on a weekend or holiday, then the due date will be the first business day following the weekend or holiday).

Awards are contingent upon fund availability.



## Congratulations!



*Congratulations!*

*You are a recipient of the Jackson Legacy Scholarship. As a Legacy Scholar you are a representative of the Jackson Community Foundation. This handbook is for your reference.*

*While we strive to support you through your academic career, it is your responsibility to ensure your success. We are here to help you. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, 517-787-1321.*

*This program is supported by hundreds of private donors. Scholarships are awarded based upon fund availability.*

*Sincerely,*

*CEO & President*

*Jackson Community Foundation*



## Character

The Jackson Community Foundation trusts you to represent the honor of being a recipient of the Jackson Legacy Scholarship. You are an ambassador!

### Responsibility

Scholarship funds are donated by various sources including individual donors, families, businesses, and nonprofit organizations. As donors, these community members have made a serious commitment to your educational future. As a recipient, you are expected to be a role model for your community and the Jackson Community Foundation (JCF). Disciplinary or academic dismissal from your institution will result in forfeiture of any remaining scholarship and the student is obligated to pay expenses outstanding at the time of dismissal.

### Volunteerism

A key element of the Jackson Legacy Scholarship is your obligation to complete 20 hours of verified nonprofit community service. This provides you with an opportunity to ‘give back’ to your community while exposing you to a variety of community building activities.

### Commitment

You will face many challenges and triumphs in your college career. Making good, responsible choices will keep you on course. Seeking help when needed is an important responsibility. The Jackson Community Foundation, the College Access Center, and your college are committed to supporting you toward academic success.

*We make a living by what we get,  
but we make a life by what we give.*

*-Winston S. Churchill*

## Volunteer Tips

### Where can I volunteer?

You may volunteer at a charitable organization in Jackson County. This includes local nonprofits, churches, and government offices (schools, sheriff/police, service clubs, etc.). **Volunteer work which is a course requirement may not be used for Legacy hours.**

### How do I decide where to volunteer?

The College Access Center personnel will assist you in finding a volunteer opportunity. There are a variety of charitable organizations to choose from and many of these organizations contact us regularly for Legacy Scholar volunteers.

- Start as early as June 1st to accumulate your volunteer service hours which are due in total by May 31st.
- All nonprofit organizations, schools and churches are appropriate volunteer sites. You can contact the College Access Center to be certain the organization qualifies.
- Volunteer with a purpose... Seek opportunities that interest you and can provide excellent skill building opportunities, references and addition to resume.
- Volunteer Tracking Forms...Turn in your log as soon as you complete your hours. **DUE DATE: May 31st**
- Questions?...Contact the College Access Center at 517-990-0671.

### Can I volunteer for a private business or neighbor/friend?

No, you can not use volunteer hours from a private business such as a veterinarian’s office, private day care, babysitting, lawn care, etc.

**For local charitable nonprofit agency information, or to find a volunteer opportunity please contact:**



or log onto Volunteer Solutions:

<https://volunteer.united-e-way.org/nn-2/volunteer/>

## Student Success

Your success in college is important to us. You need to be proactive in seeking support. Here are some resources to assist you with your success:

- Visit the College Access Center. Services available include Career Planning, Student Success Resources, Financial Aid and Scholarship support. The College Access Center is located in the Sears Wing of the Jackson Crossing Mall (517) 990-0671. Hours: Monday—Thursday: 11-6, Friday: 11-4, Saturday: 11-2
- Keep in contact with your instructors. They have office hours and are usually available via email. Make an appointment if you have questions or concerns about an assignment or your progress in general.
- Get familiar with campus, there are many resources available to you, but you have to seek them out!
- Each campus offers a variety of services. You should meet with your academic advisor to find out more about your school at:
  - [www.jccmi.edu](http://www.jccmi.edu)
  - [www.baker.edu](http://www.baker.edu)
  - [www.arbor.edu](http://www.arbor.edu)



Jessica learned about The Legacy Program in her senior transitions class at Northwest. Although she had planned to attend college, receiving the Legacy Scholarship money was a huge boost to her goal of learning a skill that will support her as she pursues further education.

## Academic Environment

Your academic environment will vary depending on the school you choose to attend. Each campus hosts a variety of student life activities and networking opportunities. When on campus check out the cultural, leadership, and extracurricular activities available. Here are some tips so that you can make the most of your college experience:

- Locate your school's resource center.
- Manage your time effectively. Each credit hour you take equals 3 hours of commitment per week, Therefore, taking 12 credits, requires 36 hours per week of your time. Consider this when scheduling your other activities. Include study time into your weekly schedule.
- Go to class. Stay in contact with instructors and classmates. Get phone numbers and email addresses.
- Save all class materials until you get your grade!
- Always ask questions if you are unsure.



Learning Support Services  
(517) 788-7800



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(517) 796-8415



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