

Alton Memorial Offers Health Equity Scholarships

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ALTON – Alton Memorial Hospital is making health equity scholarships of up to \$5,000 available to high school seniors or recent high school graduates in Madison County.

The deadline to apply is March 31. Please submit your [application](#) via email to April Becker at April.Becker@bjc.org. Materials can also be sent via U.S. mail to April at Alton Memorial Hospital, One Memorial Drive, Alton, IL 62002.

“We are excited to announce the health equity scholarship encouraging our local young adults to consider one of the many careers in health care,” said Brad Goacher, chief operating officer at Alton Memorial.

Scholarships could be renewable for up to three years beyond the initial term (up to four years total) and could include employment while in school.

Candidates for the scholarship include:

- Permanent residents of Madison County
- High school seniors or graduates within the last two years (also includes those obtaining a GED)
- Students of historically marginalized populations (BIPOC and/or LGBTQ+)
- Those who earned a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average while in high school or earned a GED
- Students who plan to attend an accredited college, university, technical or certification program to pursue a career in health care beginning in the fall of 2022

Recipients will be asked to consider employment at Alton Memorial Hospital during and upon completion of their degree or certification.

Scholars will be awarded up to \$5,000, to be used for:

- Tuition and fees
- Books and supplies
- Meals and housing
- Transportation

The final award amount may vary based on applicant pool. Applicants must submit the following documents in a single email or packet:

- Completed application form
- Letter of recommendation from a school official (i.e. teacher or counselor)
- Short answer response to each of the following questions:
- What field of health care are you interested in pursuing and why?
- How will this scholarship help you reach your short-term and long-term goals?
- What does health equity mean to you and how do you plan to champion health equity in your future career in health care?
- Copy of high school transcript or current grade report
- Resume detailing any academic awards, extracurricular activities, volunteer experience, etc.

Annual renewal will be based on documentation of progress toward completion of the program and a minimum 2.5 grade point average.

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