



GOOCHLAND EDUCATION

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Becky T. Dickson and Dennis Proffitt, Sr. Memorial Scholarship (Goochland Pet Lovers)  
Scholarship Application  
Deadline April 1, 2027

The Becky T. Dickson and Dennis Proffitt, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, established by Goochland Pet Lovers, provides one \$2,000 scholarship annually to a senior at Goochland High School or a Goochland County homeschooled senior who is graduating in good standing and plans to continue their studies at a post-secondary institution (four-year college/university, community college, career/technical training, fine arts or performing arts school, or other career preparation institutions or programs).

Applicants should demonstrate meaningful involvement with animals or animal welfare (such as volunteering, fostering, employment, advocacy, or support of animal-related causes) or an interest in supporting animal welfare in the future (such as a career as a veterinarian, vet tech, or Animal Protection Officer, or through volunteering or employment). Students may pursue any field of study; a field related to animals is not required but may receive additional consideration.

Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the recipient's post-secondary institution to be credited to the student's account.

Include in your application:

Cover sheet with the following information:

Email address

First and Last Name

Mailing address

Home phone number

High school (Goochland High School or Goochland County homeschool)

Post-secondary institution or program you plan to attend

Application Materials:

To complete your application, you will need the following materials:

- A copy of your high school transcript (homeschooled students may submit an equivalent academic record)

- In 250 words or fewer, please describe your involvement with animals or animal welfare. This may include, but is not limited to, volunteering, fostering, employment, advocacy, or support of animal-related causes. If your involvement is primarily a future interest, please describe how you hope to support or engage with animal welfare going forward.
- In 250 words or fewer, please identify your post-secondary education plans and career goals, including the institution or program you plan to attend and how this scholarship would help you pursue those goals.
- Two letters of recommendation
  - One from a teacher (or, for homeschooled students, an instructor or educator other than a parent)
  - One from someone outside of school who has worked with you in some shared capacity, ideally related to your work with animals or your community involvement

Please scan all application materials into one PDF document and email it to Kamara Webster, Program Director, at [kwebster@goochlandedu.org](mailto:kwebster@goochlandedu.org).

Applications are administered by the Goochland Education Foundation. The recipient will be selected by the Goochland Pet Lovers Board of Directors based on demonstrated commitment to animals and animal welfare, clarity of future goals related to animal care or related fields, strength of personal statements, and community involvement and character.