

**The Blythe Boness Memorial Scholarship** was established in 2022 and is intended to support a student financially who is pursuing a postsecondary degree. All are welcome to apply and will be awarded to an Alliance High School graduate who has demonstrated tenacity, and determination throughout high school.

The scholarship is nonrenewable \$1,000 awarded funded through memorials given in memory of Blythe for this scholarship purpose and will be managed by the Alliance Public Schools Foundation. Funds may be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, and other related expenses and are made payable to the selected institution of higher learning for the student's account.

**Qualifications:** This scholarship is awarded to one AHS graduate or a graduating high school senior from Alliance Public School District. Students who are involved in extracurricular activities may get slightly more consideration but a “gritty” essay and ambitious future goals will be the highest considerations. GPA is not a factor for consideration in this scholarship.

**Application requirements:**

Submit the following materials (as directed) on or before March 15, 2024:

**Cover letter** – The needs to include:

1. Your planned or current course of study;
2. College or University where the applicant is enrolled or plans to enroll;
3. Careers Goals; and
4. Reasons you should be awarded the scholarship.

Please address the letter to:

Alliance Public Schools Foundation  
% Blythe Boness Scholarship Committee  
1604 Sweetwater Ave.  
Alliance, NE 69301

**Resume** – detailing the applicant's

- Community Service;
- Leadership Skills;
- Awards and/or special recognition; and
- Work Experience.

**2-Part Application Essay** – Part 1: In about 500 words, please share a story about a challenge in high school where you showed grit. How did you overcome the situation? How have you grown as a person because of this experience? Part 2: In a few sentences, explain your future goals in college and beyond.

**Letter of Recommendation** – Have your best friend or favorite family member write you a letter of recommendation for this scholarship. Encourage them to describe you as your best self. Also, have them include a challenge and/or well wishes for your future. Read their letter. Make a copy or take a picture of it, too. Place it in an envelope and send (submit) it along with application materials.

**Transcript** – official or unofficial