

ABCDD Girls Softball Scholarship

High School and College students eligible

The ABCDD Girls Softball League was founded in 1962 by Bob and Marge Sorensen with approximately 40 girls. Now with over 700 girls and growing, the league has become one of the largest recreational softball groups in the state. The mission of ABCDD Girls Softball is to facilitate a safe, positive learning environment in which the young ladies of Grand Island and surrounding areas can learn about, and participate in, the sport of fast pitch softball while enhancing their self-esteem, self-confidence and self-discipline.

It is our hope that years from now they carry with them wonderful memories of their participation in the program and exhibit the character traits taught: a good work ethic, dedication to realizing a goal, self-motivation, the value of teamwork and, most importantly, respect for themselves and others. All of our volunteers work to facilitate this mission. We believe our children are our most precious assets and represent the future of our community.

The ABCDD Girls Softball League offers this scholarship in honor of the many girls who have played recreational softball throughout their youth in Grand Island. The scholarship is intended for a student who needs additional support to realize her college ambitions. The amount of the scholarship will be determined annually by the League.

Amount and Terms

- \$500 x 1 year

Number of Scholarships

- 2

Eligibility

- Must have played in the Grand Island ABCDD Girls Softball League for at least six years, have umpired for at least four years, or a combination of both played/umpired for a total of six years and been active within the last year.
- Must be a graduate of one of the following high schools: Grand Island Senior High, Grand Island Northwest, Grand Island Central Catholic, Heartland Lutheran, Wood River, Doniphan, Shelton, Aurora, Central City, Centura, Nebraska Christian, St. Paul, Palmer or homeschooled in the Grand Island area.
- This scholarship is open to both high school seniors and graduates who are currently in their first or second year of college.
- Must have the ability to succeed in college. Student must have a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average
- Must attend an accredited trade school, university, or college

Essay Question

- How has being involved in recreational softball with the ABCDD Girls Softball League impacted your life? (Max 500 words)

To Apply

Complete the online application form at www.gipsfoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships

Deadline

See scholarship application deadlines at www.gipsfoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships

Selection Procedure

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship selection committee appointed by the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation. The finalists will be determined by score and the winner will be selected via the GIPS Foundation Scholarship Equity Committee procedure.

Terms of Payment

The student must be verified by ABCDD League for eligibility prior to awarding scholarship. The scholarship will be paid through the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation to appropriate educational institution per scholarship eligibility defined above. Scholarships larger than \$500 will be split into equal semester payments. The student must provide proof of enrollment (class schedule) and student number to the Grand Island Public Schools Foundation for scholarship distribution. Proof of enrollment is needed for each semester covered by scholarship terms.

Send proof of enrollment to Kari Price via email to kprice@gips.org, in person at GIPS Administration Building (123 South Webb Road) or via mail to PO Box 4904, Grand Island, NE 68802.

