

## Shawano Area Community Foundation Wilmer A. Pautz Academic Scholarship Fund

### Background:

Wilmer A. Pautz was a 1945 graduate of Bonduel High School as class salutatorian. Wilmer attended the Wisconsin State Teachers College in 1949, majoring in math and physics. Some years later he earned his master's and a doctorate from the University of Wyoming, Laramie. The early years of his career were as a high school teacher in three Green County, Wisconsin, high schools. With his doctorate, Wilmer joined the faculty of Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, in 1960. In 1962 he went abroad to teach at the U.S. Army's American Jr. High School in Frankfurt, Germany where he was named teacher of the Year by the Department of Defense. At that time, he was invited to join the faculty of Wisconsin State College in Eau Claire.



Wilmer's devotion to teaching, his first love, was recognized in 1966 with Eau Claire's first excellence in Teaching award. He retired as a full professor after 30 years on the Eau Claire campus. Wilmer's students adored him – his classes and often sought his counsel and advice. Their highest praise: He taught them to think!

*Individuals receiving this scholarship may re-apply each year of undergraduate studies as long as the student's GPA remains at a 3.0 or higher.*

### Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Graduating seniors from Bonduel High School
- Planning to attend an accredited 4-year college or university as a full-time student
- Minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA
- Participation in extracurricular and community activities

### Award Amount:

One \$10,000 renewable scholarship award for cost of attendance, payable at \$5000 for the first and second semesters of the freshman year of college.

### Selection:

Recipients will be recommended each spring by the Bonduel High School Scholarship Selection Committee.

### Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the [Scholarship Portal](https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar) (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar>). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents *as instructed* in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

### Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to remain a full-time student, maintaining a 3.0 GPA for the first and second semesters of the freshman year of college.

### Further Information:

- Bonduel High School Guidance Department
- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
  - Website [www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/](http://www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/)
  - Email [scholarships@cffoxvalley.org](mailto:scholarships@cffoxvalley.org)
  - Phone 920.702.7623