

The first annual TBS Scholarship Awards were made in 2010. Five worthy students each received \$2,000.00 to pursue their dreams of higher education. The responses were both gratifying and humbling.

"I want to thank you so much for the opportunity to pursue my education at Iowa State University! It made me so happy to know that you believe in me!"

"I am the parent of one of your scholarship recipients this year. I wanted to personally thank you for the support that this scholarship provides. It does give my daughter some financial assistance with her upcoming education, but it also gives her so much more than that.

Your scholarship recognized her hard work and dedication and provided her with a reward far greater than money. She was incredibly humbled by your selection of her, and it gave her so much confidence in herself. She felt overwhelmed with pride that she had done this work and now someone was recognizing her for it.

She may not have the same grade point as the highest scholars in her class, but you recognized her challenges through her IEP, and held her in high regards for her achievements. I can't thank you enough for this wonderful gift!"



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Proudly presents

The TBS Scholarship Award

A scholarship fund designated exclusively to students with IEPs residing within and attending a district that is a client of Timberline Billing Service, LLC



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Overview

Over the years, Timberline staff have heard from clients about the difficulty of IEP students in pursuing their education past high school graduation. In making the announcement, Dann Stevens commented: "We firmly believe in giving back to the community and in this case those students on IEPs are our community."

Timberline Billing Service LLC values a strong relationship with our client community. We also hope to support the community that supports our business. As such, we have established the Timberline Billing Service Scholarship fund that will award five \$2000.00 scholarships, annually, to graduating students who are in pursuit of their dream for a higher education past secondary school.

The Scholarship Fund will make five different \$2,000 awards to graduating seniors that either are, or have been, on an IEP during their secondary years. The students do NOT have to be on Medicaid. The applicants must be a student attending a district that is our client as of December 1st of the award year. Awards will be made each spring to recipients at their schools awards ceremonies. The selected students must be planning on pursuing their education past graduation; whether a four year college/university, a community college or a trade school.

Guidelines

1. The student must either have an active IEP, or have exited their IEP within the past four years.
2. The student must be graduating in the school year of the award (December or May).
3. The student must be attending a school district which contracts with Timberline Billing Service LLC for their Medicaid claiming as of December 1st in the school year of the application. A listing of the eligible districts will be supplied to the review panel.
4. The student must have applied to an educational institution for the following school year. This could be a four year private/public school, community college, trade school, or other formal educational program above high school. If there is a question on the qualification of the program the student plans on entering, a request should be made prior to submission of the essay.
5. There should be a cover letter which identifies the student, their school district, their planned future education, and length on their current IEP included with their



Guidelines continued

6. The student must submit an essay on the topic of how their higher education will benefit them in life. The essay should be between 300-500 words and may be either written or recorded and transcribed for reading.
7. The student does not have to be enrolled with Medicaid to qualify for this scholarship.
8. This is not a financial-needs based scholarship, so any IEP student wishing to continue their education/training past high school is eligible to apply.
9. Applications will be received until December 1st of the current school year. Essays will then be judged by a review panel of non-Timberline Billing staff for selection of the five winners.
10. While the scholarship is a one time payment to the student, this program will be an annual award. Winners will be notified during a presentation arranged at their graduating school. Timberline Billing Service plans on making this an annual scholarship, but a student may only win the award one year.