



The Illinois Spina Bifida Association awards scholarships to adults with spina bifida residing in Illinois. The scholarships may be used for a range of post-high school adult education, including 2- and 4-year college programs, graduate school, online courses, technical or trade schools, or other continuing education opportunities. All grade and financial information submitted is confidential and only for use by the selection committee. Brief scholarship recipient profiles may be published by ISBA online.

The ISBA scholarship program is made possible in part by "A Helping Hand".

Application must be typed or printed legibly in dark ink. It is acceptable to submit this information on a separate page, as long as all applicable information is complete.

Name _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) _____

Address _____

City _____ State IL ZIP _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

For those beginning post-high school studies, school you plan on attending:

Name: _____

Address, City, State: _____

Have you been accepted? ____ Have you talked with an academic counselor about your plans? ____

For previous post-high school studies, name of school, year(s) of study, degrees earned:

For post-high school studies currently in progress: School currently attending: _____

Credit hours completed to date _____ Cumulative GPA _____ Expected Graduation (MM/YY) _____

What will be the total cost of your education for the next school year? _____

How do you expect to finance your education? _____

What jobs, internships, or volunteer activities have you participated in during the past 12 months?

Organization	Roles / Responsibilities	Dates
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____



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2017-2018 Educational Scholarship Application continued

There are 3 types of scholarships you can apply for. Check which one(s) you are applying for:

_____ ISBA Scholarship _____ Patrick Juris Scholarship _____ Valiant Scholarship

Required Documents for All Applicants

- Official transcripts of current or previous college study
- 2 personal statements, each 250-500 words:
 - Describe your accomplishments or contributions of which you are the most proud. These can be school, extracurricular, community, or ISBA activities.
 - Describe your career goals, and why you selected them.

Additional Documents for Patrick Juris & Valiant Scholarship Applicants

- Required personal statements of 250-500 words described below
- Letters of recommendation are suggested

The Illinois Spina Bifida Association is honored to award 2 special scholarships:

Patrick Juris Scholarship

The Patrick Juris Scholarship is a \$2,000 award for a student preparing for a field of service that helps others, and can be used for undergraduate or graduate studies.

Required Personal Statement: How do you plan on advocating for others in need?

Patrick Juris's legacy as a friend, leader, and advocate will be remembered for years to come. To learn more about Patrick, visit www.patrickjurisscholarshipfund.org.

Valiant Scholarship

The Valiant Scholarship is a \$2,000 award for a student who displays outstanding leadership, good will toward those less fortunate, and a dedication to making a difference.

Required Personal Statement (address both points):

1. How can you impact the future of younger children with spina bifida?
2. How have you displayed leadership, impacted the less fortunate, and made a difference?

The scholarship is named after the late Bill Valiant, who with his wife Bonnie was instrumental in leading and growing ISBA for more than 25 years.

Applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2017 and sent by mail to:

Illinois Spina Bifida Association, 2211 N Oak Park Ave, Chicago, IL 60707

- Please note that if an applicant has previously applied, the course load on the application must have been completed as intended, or potential future scholarship awards will be lowered by an equivalent amount.
- All individuals awarded scholarships are expected to volunteer with the Illinois Spina Bifida Association at least once during the following year. Chicago-area scholarship recipients are strongly suggested to volunteer at the 2017 Corvette Raffle in Downers Grove on July 30.