

West Aurora High School

Trevor Melvin Wehner Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Trevor Melvin Wehner, a 2015 graduate of Serena High School. At Serena, Trevor was a member of the National Honor Society, a varsity letterman in 3 sports, an active member of the school and town communities, and a role model to underclassmen. Trevor was a 2017 graduate of Illinois Valley Community College with an Associate of Science and an Associate of Arts. While in attendance at IVCC, he played on the IVCC baseball team. Trevor received a Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management from Northern Illinois University in 2019. Unfortunately, it was awarded posthumously. Trevor's life was tragically taken on his first day as an intern at a workplace shooting. Trevor's family is awarding this scholarship to 2 deserving students so they may achieve their goals and utilize their potential.

Deadline: Scholarship applications are to be completed in full by April 8th, 2026 and turned into Mr. Gatbunton, Scholarship Information Coordinator in the Tradition House, or see how to apply below.

Award Components:

Two (2) \$2500.00 scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors.

Scholarship funds will be paid during the month of August 2026 - directly to the college/trade school, not the student. The scholarship funds will be issued to the college/trade school upon receiving a certificate of enrollment for the fall semester, which includes the Student ID number and Financial Aid Office address.

Criteria: The preferred candidate will:

- Have a 3.25 GPA or higher
- Be enrolled at Northern Illinois University
- Be enrolled in an accredited, degree-granting program (12 hours) for the following academic year.
- Have significant involvement in school and community activities.
- Submit a completed scholarship application and a transcript.
- Have participated in a school sport.
- Have a letter of recommendation from a choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or an individual with significant knowledge of the applicant's character, experience, involvement, and success.
- Write an essay minimum of 300 words.
- Have displayed the following:
 - Positive attitude
 - Encouragement of others
 - Compassion
 - Charity
 - Leadership skills

Applicant Information:

Name Last _____ First _____ MI _____

Permanent mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Cell Phone _____

Parent Name _____

High School information:

What year will you receive a high school diploma _____

High school name _____

City _____ State _____ Phone Number _____

High school GPA _____

List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:

List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:

List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:

Applying to school info:

School choice for year 2026 _____

School Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Phone

Number _____

Major Field of study _____

Next Degree after 2023 _____

Estimated school college graduation date after 2026 _____

Essay Questions

Please attach your essay, minimum 300 words, typed and double spaced, font style- New Times Roman, font size- 12, and all margins- 1 inch on a separate sheet of paper.

- How has your family background affected the way you see the world?

How to apply:

- Visit <https://tmwscholarships.com/index.php/westauroinfo/> Click the 'View Application' button to open the fillable PDF or 'Download Now' to download it. Please attach your application, recommendation letter, and essay as a single file and email the application to mwaapplyl@tmwscholarships.com

CERTIFICATION: ALL APPLICANTS: I certify that all the information I have provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information on this application if requested. I give permission to selection committees to review information on this form, my transcripts, and any additional supporting documentation submitted as part of this application. I give permission for selection committees to contact high school / college / University / Vocational / Trade school officials for additional academic information. I further agree if chosen, to submit a written paragraph on the value of the scholarship award in my academic pursuits.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____