

The John and Candace Cain Math, Science, and Nursing Scholarship

2026/27 Scholarship Application

Background

In their lifetimes, John and Candace Cain shared a passion for teaching and education. The John and Candace Cain Math, Science, and Nursing Trust was formed to award an annually-renewable scholarship (up to four years) to assist financially-needy students in the pursuit of their post-secondary studies in the field of math, science, or nursing.

Award

The John and Candace Cain Math, Science, and Nursing Trust will award one scholarship to a graduating senior of Connersville High School or Lincoln High School. The scholarship will provide up to **\$10,000.00** towards tuition, books, class materials, room and board, or other related expenses and may be used over two consecutive semesters. Payments will be paid directly to the scholarship recipient's college or university. The selected recipient will be responsible for submitting tuition invoices to the Trustee promptly each semester as they become available.

So long as the selected recipient continues to meet certain eligibility requirements, as determined at the trustee's sole discretion, the scholarship award may be renewed in subsequent years.

Eligibility

- (1) Must demonstrate financial need
- (2) Must be a graduating senior of Connersville High School or Lincoln High School
- (3) Must be pursuing an undergraduate degree in the field of math, science, or nursing
- (4) Must possess a positive attitude, desire to learn, and scholarly work ethic

Requirements

- (1) Completed Scholarship Application
- (2) Copy of High School Transcript (unofficial copies will be accepted)
- (3) Two Letters of Reference
- (4) Completed Essays
- (5) Signed Statement of Accuracy

Instructions for Submitting Application

Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on **May 15, 2026**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Please mail or email one copy of your completed application to the following:

Union Savings and Loan Association
C/O Trust Department
730 N. Central Ave.
Connersville, IN 47331

OR bbauman@uslabank.com

*Scholarship applicants will receive notification letters the week of June 15th.

Please print clearly

1. **Personal Information:**

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Please check all that apply:

I work during the school year.

Name of Employer: _____ Avg. # Hours Worked/Week: _____

I will likely be unable to complete my chosen post high school education or training without creating a substantial financial burden for myself or my family.

If yes, please explain*: _____

_____.

* If additional space is needed, please provide your response(s) on a separate attached page.

2. **Family Information:**

Father's Personal Information (or Legal Guardian)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address (If different from above): _____

Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ - _____

Name of Employer: _____

Job Title: _____

Highest Education Level Obtained: _____

Mother's Personal Information (or Legal Guardian)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ - _____

Name of Employer: _____

Job Title: _____

Highest Education Level Obtained: _____

Name and Age of Siblings: _____

Father's Annual Salary (or Legal Guardian)*: \$ _____

Mother's Annual Salary (or Legal Guardian)*: \$ _____

**Salary information provided above shall be consistent with what is reported on page 1 of the 2025 IRS Income Tax Form(s). If selected as a scholarship recipient, income verification will be required.*

Please check all that apply:

My family's financial situation is likely to change over the next four years.

If yes, please explain**: _____

I am a 21st Century Scholar.

If yes, please explain remaining financial need**: _____

One or more of my parents or siblings currently attends college, trade school, or vocational classes.

If yes, please explain and provide details on any financial aid received**: _____

My parents are not married.

If Yes:

(a) Is your parent or legal guardian receiving child support for you and/or any siblings? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, what is the amount received per month: \$ _____

(b) Has a parent been ordered by a court to pay a portion of your post high school education expense? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, what amount or percentage was ordered to be paid: _____

** If additional space is needed, please provide your response(s) on a separate attached page.

3. **Academic Information:**

High School Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale)

*Please attach proof of GPA---Your most recent school transcript must be provided.

Intended Field of Study: _____

Please check all that apply:

I have decided which college, university, or trade school I will attend in the fall.

If yes, please provide name: _____

I have not decided which college, university, or trade school I will attend in the fall.

If yes, please provide your top 3 choices: _____

_____.

I have experienced one or more hardships that adversely affected my grades and/or attendance.

If yes, please explain*: _____

_____.

Estimated Total Out-of-Pocket Cost of Education (including repayable loans): \$ _____

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4.

Personal Achievements, Extracurricular Activities, and Volunteerism:

A. List any honors, awards, or recognition you received while in high school:

B. List extracurricular activities you have participated in and the number of years you participated in each:

C. List volunteer activities you have participated in over the last year and the number of hours served:

D. Please list any financial aid you are to receive that does not need to be repaid, including academic and athletic scholarships offered through the college/university/trade school, federal or state grants, and any local/community scholarships (include the name and amount of award, if applicable, and indicate if one-time or renewable):

5. **Essays:**

On a separate sheet, please include a typewritten essay (500 words or less) for **each** of the following questions:

- A. What are your short-term and long-term goals for your future career path?
- B. Explain a situation in which you faced an ethical dilemma and how you handled it?

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient it is my responsibility to remit to the Trust Department of Union Savings and Loan Association (located at 730 N. Central Avenue Connersville, IN 47331) the appropriate documentation and invoices in a timely manner for my tuition to be paid directly to my educational institution each semester.

I hereby understand that incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Checklist

- ___ Completed Application
- ___ Most Recent Transcript
- ___ Two Letters of Reference
- ___ Two Typewritten Essays
- ___ Signed Statement of Accuracy and Acknowledgment
- ___ Optional Information- You may include any other items you would like the Committee to consider when reviewing your application, such as a cover letter, acceptance letter, letter(s) of reference, tuition statement, etc.

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