



“YOU MATTER”

2026 Scholarship Criteria and Instructions

New Directions Northwest, Inc. is a non-profit organization that specializes in helping people with alcohol, drug and gambling addictions, mental health, developmental disabilities, and prevention services to individuals from Baker County, and throughout the state of Oregon. Serving Baker County since 1967.

Our mission is to provide high-quality, innovative, and comprehensive education and treatment by an integrated, multi-disciplinary team to those affected by developmental disabilities, substance abuse and mental illness in a caring, empathetic and professional manner. New Directions is dedicated to empower individuals and their families to lead healthy, successful, productive, and self-fulfilling lives.

New Directions Northwest, Inc. is proud to offer up to three (3) \$3,000.00 scholarships for 2026 for qualified individuals majoring in the social science/behavioral health field.

Applications are Due by April 3, 2026. Please email all applications and application materials to: NDN Scholarship Committee balbrecht@ndninc.org, **OR** drop all materials off in an envelope, ATTN: NDN Scholarship Committee at 3425 13th St., Baker City, OR 97814

Criteria:

1. 2026 Graduating Senior from a Baker County High School
2. Minimum Cumulative GPA of 3.0
3. Individuals majoring in the social science or behavioral health field
4. **Preferences given to:**
 - Individuals that have demonstrated volunteer work within their community
 - Individuals that have lived experience(s), either personally or within extended family.

Instructions:

1. Incomplete Application Forms will not be considered.

2. Please include a Resume that demonstrates the following:
 - a. Volunteer Work
 - b. Extracurricular Activities
 - c. Any Work Experience
3. Copy of school transcript.
4. If applicable, please include a written statement describing the lived experience.
5. 2 Letters of Recommendation from Non-Family Members
 - a. 1 from education/school
 - b. 1 from community member/personal reference

