



# 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR IFRA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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The IRMA Foundation will award ten \$1,500 IFRA scholarships for the 2026-2027 academic year.

## **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

High school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who are:

- Sons and daughters of full-time employees of former IFRA retail members who are current members of the Illinois Retail Merchants Association. The parent employee must have been employed for at least two years as of January 1 of the year in which the scholarships are awarded.
- Part-time employees who are full-time students employed by former IFRA retail members who are current members of the Illinois Retail Merchants Association. The applicant must have been employed for at least six months as of January 1 of the year in which the scholarships are awarded.
- IRMA Foundation-funded scholarships are limited to one recipient per member company.
- Winners must enroll in college as full-time students in the fall of the year in which the scholarships are awarded.

If you are eligible, please follow the application instructions below.

## **APPLICATION**

Visit our website at [www.irma.org](http://www.irma.org) and click Programs then IRMA Foundation. Click the black button on the right side of the IRMA Foundation page that says "Click here to apply" to find the 2026-27 scholarship application. Applications are being accepted online only. For assistance with the application, contact Dawn Durkin at [ddurkin@irma.org](mailto:ddurkin@irma.org).

The deadline for completed applications to be submitted for consideration is **March 1, 2026**.

## **NOTIFICATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

All applicants will be notified in May 2026.