

Harold “Hal” Wilmarth Scholarship

Selected by Corning Education Foundation Scholarship Committee

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Harold grew up in rural Adams County, Iowa, and attended a rural county school. In 1958 Harold graduated from Corning High School, where he was active in football, wrestling, and vocational agriculture (FFA). After high school, Harold attended NWMSU and continued wrestling, football, and working through college, where he graduated with a BS in Agriculture. Harold was active in the Maryville community. He worked for the Espey family at Farmers Produce and Farmers Elevator in Hopkins, Missouri. In 1971, Harold and his brother, Neill, purchased the elevator. They saw a lot of growth in the fertilizer and chemicals industry and grew the business to eventually added locations across northern Missouri in Burlington Junction and Rock Port, Missouri. Harold developed this scholarship to encourage students who plan to attend a community college to learn a trade and work in the local community. He wants to reward those students who work hard and contribute to their family and community.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Plans to attend a postsecondary school: 4 year college, 2 year college, vocational or technical institute
- Citizenship and leadership as demonstrated by activities in school or community

ADDITIONAL CRITERIA:

- Outstanding Character
- Citizenship
- Leadership
- Financial Need

APPLICATION: Any Southwest Valley High School senior who meets the above criteria is eligible to apply for this scholarship. The application should include the reasons why the applicant feels that he/she is qualified to receive this award.

- Include a statement of plans for further education and commitment statement regarding intent to graduate from college.

METHOD OF PAYMENT: The scholarship will be paid after successful completion of 1st semester of college study and submission of a copy of 1st semester grades and enrollment for the second semester of college to the SWV guidance counselor’s office.

If you receive this scholarship, send a thank you to:

Corning Education Foundation

PO Box 333

Corning, IA 50841

Deadline: Submit a **letter of application and resume** to the SWV High School Counselor by **April 17, 2026**.