

Qualifications

- Any professional educator in the Kokomo School Corporation or Howard County School Districts seeking an advanced degree or certification beyond initial certification is eligible.
- The degree or certification sought should be in the field of education, or the subject area taught.
- The degree or certification may be pursued at any higher learning institution approved by the State of Indiana.
- Scholarship recipients should intend to remain in the Kokomo School Corporation or their home school districts at least three years beyond the time of the scholarship award. (suggested, but not required)
- The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, or Director of Elementary Education, or their designees should approve the course of study being pursued.



Kokomo Public Schools Education Foundation

Who We Are

The Kokomo Public Schools' Education Foundation is an Educational Foundation formed in 1989 by a group of concerned citizens interested in encouraging academic excellence in the Kokomo School Corporation.

What We Do

We support programs that will stimulate excellence in the Kokomo School Corporation while enhancing the quality of education by improving teacher morale and professionalism. Our Foundation encourages more effective instruction, strengthens motivation, and mobilizes community involvement and support for Kokomo Schools. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Mini-grants for teachers;
- Innovative experimental educational programs;
- Staff enrichment programs;
- Vocational and college scholarships;

How We Work

The Foundation receives its support from those who believe in enriching the education of our children.

The Foundation accepts donations of any size. Interested persons have an opportunity to make tax-deductible bequests, memorial contributions, and other gifts, which will be conserved and used as designated.

A cross-section of the community serves on the Board. The Foundation is independent of the public school system and is a 501(C)(3) charitable organization.

Walter J. Moss Teacher Enhancement Scholarship

An Opportunity for Professional Educators to Achieve Advanced Degrees or Certification





Walter James Moss

July 19, 1934 – October 20, 2020

"When we lose someone we love, we must learn not to live without them, but to live with the love they left behind."

His friends called him "Walt." Throughout Howard County, Walter J. Moss was and continues to be a household name. He was a life-long resident of Kokomo, a graduate of Kokomo High School in 1951, and a business entrepreneur. Walt began his barbering career in 1952, purchased his shop in 1965, and retired in 2006. The Walt Moss Barber Shop remains an institution in downtown Kokomo.

Walt believed that education is a vital part of any community's success. Through his generosity, Walt has made it possible for the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation to offer professional educators scholarships in Howard County. Both Walt and the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation believe that highly trained teachers and administrators translate into improved student achievement and an academically sound learning atmosphere.

Conditions and Application Process

Applications must be submitted on the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation's form by April 1 of each academic year. Applications may be downloaded from the Kokomo Schools website at:

www.kokomoschools.com

or by contacting Debbie Vawter at the Kokomo Schools Administrative Service Center (dvawter@kokomo.k12.in.us);

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For Kokomo School Corporation applications, the selections will be made by the Scholarship Committee of the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation based on educational contributions to the school district, quality of the course of study, and application of the study to the current or potential future assignments. In the event applications are received from other Howard County or parochial school districts, selections will be made by the Community Foundation of Howard County Scholarship Committee using the same criteria listed above.

The Kokomo Schools Education Foundation reserves the right to reject any scholarship application in any given year.

Although not required, the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation would expect recipients to contribute to the scholarship in future years.

The scholarship recipient will be reimbursed up to \$1,000 upon presenting a course transcript and receipts for payment of fees or materials to the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation.

Scholarship recipients may apply for assistance more than one time.

For additional information, contact Joe Dunbar, Executive Director, Kokomo Schools Education Foundation (jdunbar@kokomo.k12.in.us); phone — 765-437-1596.



