



Terre Haute German Oberlander Club 2025 Francis Sanders Memorial Scholarship Announcement

The Francis Sanders Memorial Scholarship was established in 1974 in honor of Francis Sanders who was a founding member of the Terre Haute German Oberlander Club (THGOC) and served as the Club's first president. Francis was deeply committed to teaching the German language to young people. The scholarship is awarded based on demonstration of academic excellence and financial need.

Scholarship Details:

This one time, \$750.00 scholarship, will be paid directly to the qualifying university, college, or institution in which the recipient is enrolled at the beginning of the Fall semester of the 2025-2026 school year. The scholarship may be used as payment toward tuition, books and other related academic fees. THGOC reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to award multiple scholarships.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Must be a high school senior from the Wabash Valley* who is already enrolled, or has been accepted for enrollment, in a full-time undergraduate program at an institution of higher education in Indiana.

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A full-time student already enrolled in an undergraduate program at an Indiana institution of higher education.

2. Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.
3. Must be taking advanced college level course(s) in German studies and/or will have completed 2 to 3-years of German language studies upon high school graduation.

Application Procedures:

Submit the following information and materials by **April 17, 2025**, via U.S. mail to: **Terre Haute German Oberlander Club, PO Box 5214, Terre Haute, IN 47805**.

1. Biographical sketch containing appropriate personal and educational information, and outlining extracurricular activities.
2. A transcript to verify cumulative GPA (an advisory transcript is acceptable).
3. Brief explanation of financial need.
4. An essay, of 750 – 1,000 words, that explains why you chose to study the German language and how you think this decision will impact your future career plans.

Finalists may be asked to participate in an interview with the selection committee at a time and place that's convenient for both the candidate and committee members.

The successful applicant will be notified of scholarship award by May 4, 2025. A presentation ceremony will be held at an appropriate Club event in Fall 2025.

Contact Information:

Questions regarding this scholarship opportunity should be directed to Jessica Buttiglieri at (812) 462-4252 or emailed to jmb6@vigoschools.org.

*For the purposes of this scholarship program, the Wabash Valley includes Clay, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo Counties in Indiana.

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