How to apply for an ACE scholarship

Before you can apply for the ACE scholarship, you must have proof that you are on the free/reduced lunch program.

You need to have a digital copy (.pdf) of this letter.

To get this:

- email Kari Price kprice@gips.org
- use your gips email
- ask her to "please send me a .pdf copy of my free/reduced lunch letter"

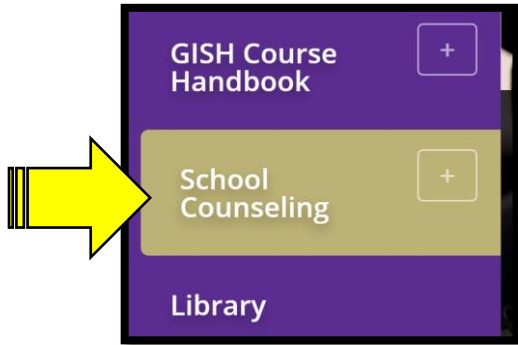Once you have this, you can continue

First time to apply for an ACE?
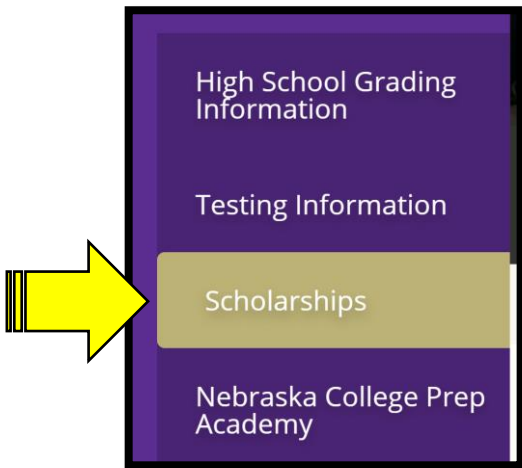
- Go to page 2 and follow the instructions

Already have an ACE account?

- Go to https://ecmp.nebraska.gov/CCPE-ACE/Account/Login

- Log in

- Go to page 4 of these instructions

In a browser, i.e. Google Chrome; go to https://www.gips.org/senior/
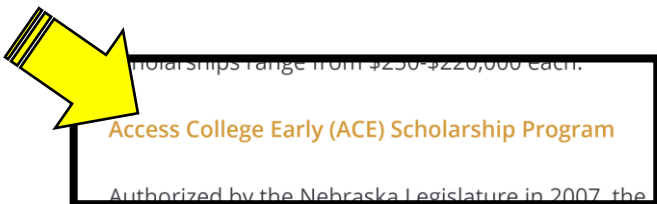
On the left, click on **School Counseling**

When more options appear, click on **Scholarships**

Click on **Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship Program**

Look under New Account Registration

NEW USERS

If you are a first time user and I
an account, click the link below
Register Here (Non-State Emp

Click on **Register Here**

User Information

First Name * [Your First Name]

Last Name * [Your Last Name]

Email Address * [your gips email address]

Confirm Email * [i.e. yname@gips.org]

Just as your school ID shows, enter your
- Your frist Name
- Your last name
- Your gips email address i.e. yname@gips.org
  - Enter it twice –exactly

Login Information

Username * [yname@gips.org]

Password * [ ]

Confirm Password * [ ]   Password Rules

For Username: **enter your gips email address**

it may not all fit –just stop when it cuts of you

(note a "." can not be the last character)

For Password: enter "Islanders" and then your student #.

i.e. Islanders######

Password reminder questions

Question One * [In what city did you meet your spouse/significant other?]

Your Answer * [Grand Island]

Question Two * [What is the name of your favorite childhood friend?]

Your Answer * [Palm Tree]
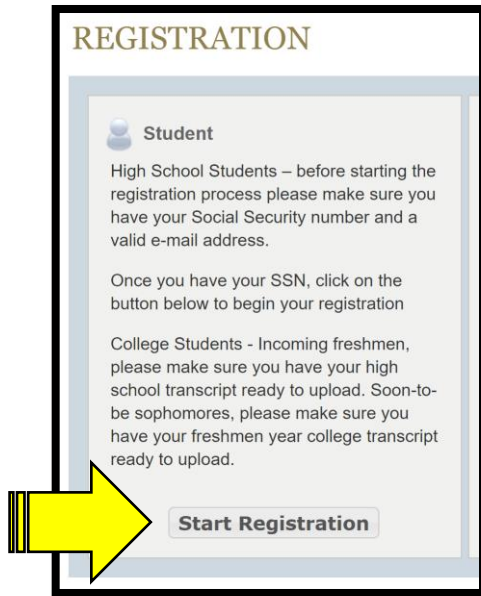
Question Three * [What was your childhood nickname?]

Your Answer * [Islanders]

If you use these password reminder questions and answers your school counselor will be able to help you if you forget them;
- In what city did you meet your spouse/significant other?
  - Grand Island
- What is the name of your favorite childhood friend?
  - Palm Tree
- What is your childhood nickname?
  - Islanders

You will have to log in using your new user name and password

REGISTRATION

Student

High School Students – before starting the registration process please make sure you have your Social Security number and a valid e-mail address.

Once you have your SSN, click on the button below to begin your registration

College Students - Incoming freshmen, please make sure you have your high school transcript ready to upload. Soon-to-be sophomores, please make sure you have your freshmen year college transcript ready to upload.

Start Registration

Click on **Start Registration**

Student Information

* Social Security Number	123-45-6789
* Last Name	Name
* First Name	First
Middle Initial	
* Date of Birth	01/01/2002
* Gender	○ Female ○ Male
* Race/Ethnicity	2 or More

* For research and reporting purposes only. This information will not be used to determine your eligibility for the ACE Scholarship.

* Primary Email Address	yname@gips.org
SecondaryEmail	ParentOrGuardian@theiremail.com
	Such as a parent/guardian e-mail

Enter your
- **social security number**
- **Last Name** *(as shown on your school ID)*
- **First Name** *(as shown on your school ID)*
- **Date of birth**
- **Gender**
- **Race/Ethnicity**
- **Primary Email Address is your gips email**
  i.e. **yname@gips.org**

Home Address

* Address 1	Your address, i.e. 2124 N Lafayette
Address 2	
* City	Grand Island
* State	NE
* Zip Code	68803

Mailing Address   Same as Home Address

Enter your home address

If you get mail at this address click on "Same as Home Address" to avoid entering your address twice.

If you receive mail at a different address, you will need to enter that address under Mailing Address

When you click on "High School" a new section appears..

You cannot simply enter Grand Island Senior High

Click on the drop down next to City

and select **Grand Island**

Click on the drop down next to Name

and select **Grand Island Senior High**

Click **Select**

Click **Submit Registration**

When the new page loads,

click on **Review Applications** on the left
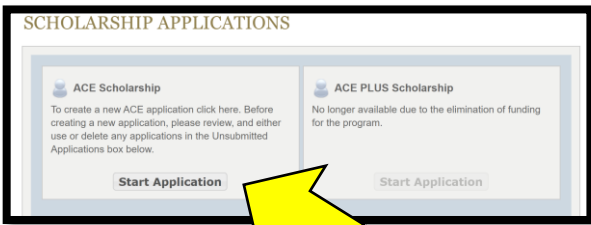
Click on **Start Application** under ACE Scholarship

Select your year in High School

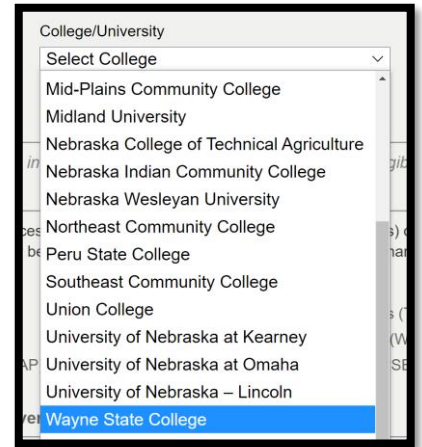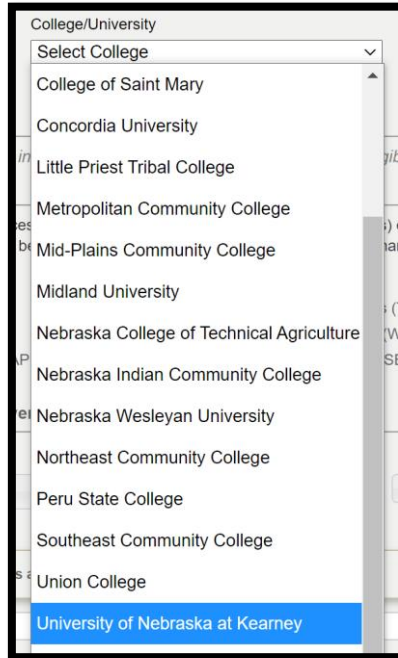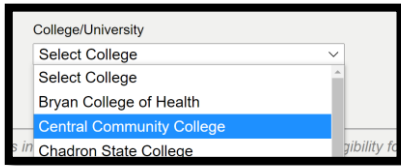Enter your GPA –found in synergy under course history

Select the year from the drop down

Select your term –either Fall or Spring

GISH does not use Winter or Summer

Select your **college** from the drop down

You will select <mark>only</mark> **Central Community College** or **University of Nebraska at Kearney,** or **Wayne State College**
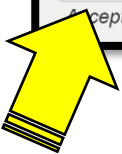

Select **Free/Reduced Price Lunch Program**

Click **choose File**

Warning: screen shots from phones are not compatible.

Although you will be able to upload them, but they will not open in this system.
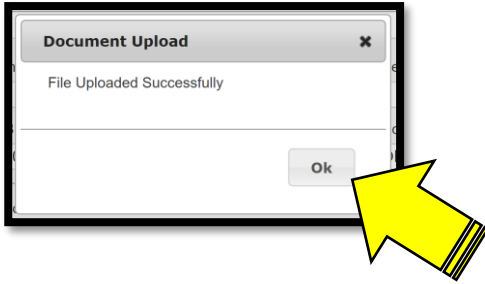
After you have selected the .pdf of your free or reduced lunch letter, the file name will appear behind "Choose File"
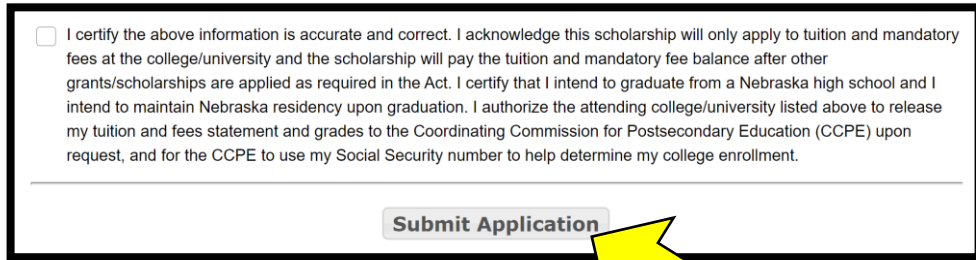
Upload

Click **Upload**

Document Upload ✖

File Uploaded Successfully

Ok

When this pop up appears, click on **ok**

"File Uploaded Successfully" should appear

File Uploaded Successfully

Supporting Documentation - Program Qualification | Open

Provided you agree with the statement click on **Submit Application**

☐ I certify the above information is accurate and correct. I acknowledge this scholarship will only apply to tuition and mandatory fees at the college/university and the scholarship will pay the tuition and mandatory fee balance after other grants/scholarships are applied as required in the Act. I certify that I intend to graduate from a Nebraska high school and I intend to maintain Nebraska residency upon graduation. I authorize the attending college/university listed above to release my tuition and fees statement and grades to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education (CCPE) upon request, and for the CCPE to use my Social Security number to help determine my college enrollment.

Submit Application

Provided which option you click, you will have different instructions from here

UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP ATTESTATION FORM

For the purpose of complying with Neb. Rev. Stat. 4-108 through 4-114, I attest as follows:
○ I am a citizen of the United States.
○ I am a qualified alien under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act.

For the option: **I am a citizen of the United States**

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If applicable, include a copy of both the front and backside of your USCIS documentation.
Acceptable documentation include: I-327, I-551, I-571, I-766, Certificate of Citizenship, Naturlization Certificate, or I-94.

| Choose File | No file chosen | Upload |

Accepted file formats: JPEG, GIF, TIFF, PNG, and PDF.

Select **I am a qualified alien under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act**

Click **choose File** After you have selected the .pdf of what you need to upload, the file name will appear behind "Choose File"

Click **Upload**

click on **ok**

Provided you agree with the statement check the box and click on **Submit**

☑ I hereby attest that my response and the information provided on this form and any related application for public benefits are true, complete, and accurate and I understand that this information may be used to verify my lawful presence in the United States.

Submit