

Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

1. Is the program open to dependents of all Acklie Companies, including those in states other than Nebraska?
 - Yes, while the dependent must attend the University of Nebraska, all dependents of current full-time employees, regardless of the state of residency, are eligible to participate.
2. Who is a “dependent”?
 - For purposes of the scholarship, a dependent is your natural child, adopted child, or legal stepchild.
3. If my spouse were planning on going to school, would he or she be eligible?
 - This benefit is for dependents of current employees, and not their spouses. We recognize everyone’s need for education. However, we realize this program could not be available to everyone without diluting the impact of those for whom it is truly intended.
4. Will special consideration be given to children with specific career goals?
 - We realize the dependents of Acklie Company employees have a wide variety of career goals, and no special consideration will be given to any specific career. The scholarship program was not developed to aid any of the company’s recruitment goals but simply to provide assistance to dependents of Acklie Company employees in furthering their education.
5. What happens if my child receives a scholarship and I leave the Acklie Company after the scholarship has been paid for the current semester?
 - Any funds that have been disbursed to date will not have to be repaid. Further payments will not be made after the date the employee leaves the company.
6. What if my child will be attending college on a part-time basis?
 - The program does not apply to part-time students.
7. What happens if my child receives a scholarship, loses good academic standing or full-time student status, but then has his/her academic standing reinstated?
 - Once good academic standing or full-time status is lost, the scholarship will end. Additionally, if a recipient is on academic probation more than one semester, the scholarship will end. Your child may reapply for the scholarship after regaining academic standing, or upon being back to full-time status.

8. What if the college costs are less than the scholarship amount?
 - It is unlikely this will occur. If it does, only an amount up to the actual eligible college costs will be paid.
9. What role does financial need play in the selection process?
 - A statement of financial need is required as part of the application. However, as outlined in the application, financial need is only one of the selection criteria for the scholarship. The Nominating Committee will consider all items submitted, and no single selection criteria is determinative.
10. What is meant by “statement of financial need”?
 - The applicant must submit a written statement regarding why he or she needs financial assistance to attend the University of Nebraska, including the amount of support, if any, that is available from other funding sources.
11. Can more than one child from a family apply for and receive scholarships at the same time?
 - Yes.
12. If a student, once being selected for the scholarship, chooses to wait a year or more before attending school, will the scholarship still be theirs, or will the student need to reapply?
 - The student will need to reapply.
13. What if a student must stop attending school due to illness, accident, or family hardship? Will the scholarship still be available later, or will the student need to reapply?
 - The scholarship may be revoked any time the student stops attending school. However, each situation will be reviewed independently by the Nominating Committee. Illnesses, accidents, or other family hardships will, in most cases, not revoke the scholarship.
14. Does the student have to apply before they start their first year, or may they apply any time during their educational career?
 - The student may apply at any time during their undergraduate career at the University of Nebraska.
15. What if the student does not graduate in four years?
 - The student can continue to reapply until the recipient obtains an undergraduate degree up to a maximum of ten consecutive semesters. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, awards for fifth-year students will be reduced by 50 percent because of funding availability.

16. What additional information is needed with the application?

- Original transcript from the applicant's high school(s) or other educational institution(s) must be sent directly to **khaake@cretecarrier.com** *or* mailed to:

**ATTN Kathy Haake
Crete Carrier Corporation
400 NW 56th ST
Lincoln, NE 68528**

- Official ACT or SAT scores.
- Statement of financial need.

17. What costs can the scholarship go toward?

- Tuition, fees, books, and other eligible expenses (for undergraduate students only) as defined by the Internal Revenue Service.

18. Does the student have to live on campus?

- No, the student simply has to be a full-time student, attending the University of Nebraska for on-campus courses or approved online degree programs.

19. How many scholarships will be awarded each year?

- The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship Fund is an endowed scholarship designed to offer approximately \$75,000 scholarship awards each year. The Nominating Committee may award scholarships in varying amounts.

20. If the student is awarded a scholarship, does the student need to apply for the scholarship for each year the student will be attending the University of Nebraska?

- **Yes. Scholarship recipients must complete and submit a renewal information form by noon on March 1 of each year.** Renewal information forms may be obtained from the contact persons listed in the General Announcement.

21. Are applications accepted by email?

- Applications may be submitted by email **khaake@cretecarrier.com** as well as by ordinary mail or hand delivery. Confirmation of receipt of emailed applications will usually be sent within one week. If no confirmation is received, the applicant is responsible for confirming receipt of the application.