

2021 Vicky Slusser Achievement Scholarship

Vicky Slusser was the founding director of Communities of Schools of Rowan County from September of 1998 until her retirement in June of 2015, and is credited with building the new program's visibility and performance with professional standards and exemplary service. This scholarship, sponsored by CIS of Rowan County, is awarded to honor Executive Director Vicky Slusser for her many years of dedicated service to the students served by Communities in Schools.



Purpose: The scholarship will be awarded to a student graduating from a Rowan-Salisbury School System high school who is or has been enrolled in a CIS Rowan school site for at least one school year during their school career.

CIS of Rowan County School Sites Eligible for 2021 Scholarship Award

Hanford Dole, Hurley, Koontz, North Rowan, Isenberg, Overton Elementary Schools; Knox and North Rowan Middle Schools; Henderson Independent High School and North Rowan High School

The recipient will demonstrate how the mission of Communities In Schools, “to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life” helped them to reach Graduation Day.

At least one scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to a 2021 graduate.

A committee will receive and choose a scholarship winner based on:

1. Eligibility to graduate in good standing from an RSS high school during the 2020-2021 school year.
2. An essay of approximately 500 words on “How CIS helped me succeed in school.”
3. Three personal references, one of which must be from a high school teacher from whom the student has taken at least one class.
4. Description of extra-curricular activities and/or community service.
5. Statement of financial need. (NO FINANCIAL AID FORMS REQUIRED)

Please include your high school transcript and three letters of reference/recommendation. **At least one letter must be from a high school teacher.**

Submit your - 1) APPLICATION; 2) THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION; 3) PERSONAL ESSAY “How CIS helped me succeed in school”; 4) HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT; and 5) COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE LETTER (if received) **directly to:**

**CIS OF ROWAN COUNTY
ATTN: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
204 East Innes Street Suite 240
Salisbury NC 28144**

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Communities In Schools of Rowan County



CIS Scholarship Application – 2021

204 East Innes St. Suite 240

Salisbury, NC 28144

Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I am graduating from _____ High School

Accredited College/University/Technical School you wish to attend: _____

Have you been accepted yet? YES NO *If YES, attach copy of acceptance letter.*

Intended course of study: _____

Are you the first in your family to attend college? YES NO

Involvement with CIS

Communities In School of Rowan County serves students in the following schools. Please circle the grades you attended in a CIS school.

Hanford Dole Elementary School	K	1	2	3	4	5
Hurley Elementary School	K	1	2	3	4	5
North Rowan Elementary School	K	1	2	3	4	5
Koontz Elementary School	K	1	2	3	4	5
Overton Elementary School	K	1	2	3	4	5
Knox Middle School	6	7	8			
North Rowan Middle School	6	7	8			
Henderson Independent High School	11	12				
North Rowan High School	11	12				

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What CIS sponsored activities did you take part in? _____

College Preparation

Other scholarships you have applied for: _____

Scholarships you have received: _____

How do you intend to pay for tuition, books, and living expenses while in college?

Supplemental Information (use additional pages if necessary)

Awards/Achievements: _____

School Activities: _____

Community/Church Involvement: _____

Employment Information: (Include summer internships): _____

Completing your application

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Application Deadline: MAY 1, 2021 4:00pm

RELEASE STATEMENT

I hereby release the preceding information as well as high school transcripts to the CIS Scholarship Committee. I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that this information will be kept strictly confidential, for sole use in conjunction with the application process for this scholarship.

Signature (student) _____

Signature (parent/legal guardian) _____