

Richard Michael McDaniel Endowment Fund Scholarship 2025 Request for Proposals

The McDaniel Endowment Fund of the Foundation of Onvida Health was established by Richard Michael McDaniel in memory of his parents, Ted and Stella McDaniel. Through his estate, Mr. McDaniel left a generous legacy to be used to further cancer treatment and research in Yuma, Arizona.

The Foundation of Onvida Health is currently accepting applications for Scholarships through **October 10, 2025, 5:00pm**. The funds may be utilized for medical student, physician, nursing, or other educational programs that are directly related to cancer care. This can include programs for technicians in fields that directly support cancer care, persons pursuing advanced degrees in palliative care, and others. Applicants must commit to serving the community of Yuma for at least one (1) year following the Scholarship award period.

Applicants cannot apply for funds that are eligible for reimbursement under the Onvida Health Education Assistance Program. All applicants who are currently employed by Onvida Health must indicate whether they've applied for Education Assistance, how much they received, and justify the scholarship request based on the difference between the amount they've received and the total costs of their tuition. Documentation must be provided. Only costs associated with tuition and course fees will be considered. Fees for books, course materials, etc., cannot be included.

McDaniel Scholarship Opening Date: September 8, 2025
Due Date: October 10, 2025
Review by Committee: October 13, 2025 – November 3, 2025
Notification Date No Later Than: Week of November 17, 2025
Scholarship Funding Period: January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

Applications will be accepted from individuals who are accepted to or currently enrolled in programs directly related to cancer care. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or greater in order to apply. The Committee will accept Scholarship requests ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000. The number of Scholarships awarded will vary depending on the number of requests received. Applications must be submitted online by 5:00pm MST on October 10, 2025. Paper Applications will not be accepted.

Link to apply: https://www.onvidahealth.org/mcdaniel-scholarship-application

Review Process

The grant application will be reviewed by the McDaniel Endowment Fund Committee based on the following selection criteria:

- Relevancy The student is clearly pursuing a degree that will place them within the continuum of cancer care or cancer research.
- Aptitude The student's previous achievements and performance are commensurate with the degree that they are pursuing.
- Community benefit The student has agreed to provide services within Yuma for at least a year following their Scholarship. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate a willingness to serve the community of Yuma for a longer period of time.

For questions, please contact:

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