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A College Scholarship for Students who live in and Graduate in Saginaw!
Scholarship Application Deadline is February 15, 2022

Saginaw Promise is investing in the future of Saginaw and the lives of its students through postsecondary education information and a scholarship. The Saginaw Promise is an organization working to affect positive change in Saginaw through a “residence based” scholarship; a benefit for families who live in Saginaw. The Saginaw Promise is an economic initiative intended to affect Saginaw’s economy and quality of life by promoting and supporting a culture of postsecondary education for all of its graduating students through information, programming and a “last dollar” scholarship.

The Saginaw Promise scholarship benefits students who reside in and graduate from a high school in the Saginaw Promise Zone (which includes the cities of Saginaw, Zilwaukee, Kochville and that area of Buena Vista designated to the Saginaw Public School District). The goal of the Saginaw Promise is for every graduating student to receive a program certificate or degree. While supporting higher education, the scholarship is also intended to stabilize and grow Saginaw’s population, support an educated workforce, attract new businesses and affect the overall economic environment in Saginaw, surrounding communities and the entire Great Lakes Bay Region.

Since 2012, the Saginaw Promise has awarded scholarships in excess of \$1,072,000 to 609 scholars. The Saginaw Promise scholarship may be used at community colleges, universities and technical/ trade schools in the State of Michigan for tuition and mandatory fees. **How to apply:** Students must complete the online Saginaw Community Foundation scholarship application at <https://goapply.akoyago.com/SAGINAW>. Application deadline is February 15, 2022. **The Saginaw Promise scholarship is renewable up to two years and must be applied for annually.** Students must also complete FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>. Visit www.saginawpromise.org or telephone (989)755-0545 for additional information.