# **U2CT Scholarship Description**

The Herscher Community School District #2 Teachers Union (**U2CT**) Scholarship is awarded to outstanding students who demonstrate excellence in academics, strong leadership abilities, and a clear commitment to higher education, career, or trade school. This scholarship aims to support students who have excelled in their studies, taken on leadership roles in their schools or communities, and shown the potential to succeed in college and beyond.

The U2CT has been awarding scholarships to deserving students for over a decade. Multiple scholarships are awarded each year. Fundraising efforts are made and supported by our teachers and community.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

To be considered for the U2CT Scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

#### 1. Academic Achievement

- Graduate of Herscher High School with a strong GPA and class rank
- Above average performance in core subjects, including Mathematics, Science, English, and Social Studies.
- Demonstrated commitment to academic excellence through awards, honors, or participation in advanced coursework.

### 2. Leadership

- Active participation in leadership roles within school, extracurricular activities, or community organizations.
- Demonstrated ability to inspire and make a positive impact on peers and the community.

## 3. Future Potential

- A strong commitment to pursuing higher education at a two-year or four-year college or trade school.
- Evidence of college readiness through course selection, extracurricular involvement, and personal initiative.
- A well-articulated personal statement that highlights future academic and career aspirations.

## Selection Process

Eligible students will apply through the Community Foundation of Kankakee River Valley's scholarship portal.

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their academic record, leadership experience, and potential for success in college. The selection committee will evaluate applications holistically, considering the student's achievements, character, and aspirations.

## Award Amount

The scholarships amounts will be determined annually and may be applied toward tuition, books, or other educational expenses.