Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

**All requested information must be provided. If incomplete, your application may not be considered. Attach additional pages as needed to complete this application.**

If you have a child planning to enroll at any campus of the University of Nebraska, do not miss this scholarship opportunity.

The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship program is open to dependents of full-time employees and owner/operators of Crete Carrier Corporation, Shaffer Trucking, Hunt Transportation, Capitol Casualty Company, and Electronic Contracting Company.

Up to $75,000 of scholarships will be awarded annually and can be used for tuition, fees, books, and other qualifying expenses. Scholarship awards will range from $2,000–$6,000 per student per year ($1,000–$3,000 per semester) and are renewable annually for up to four additional years. **You must reapply for the scholarship by noon on March 1 of each year**.

Consideration will be given to the following: financial need, citizenship, leadership, career goals, academic achievement (GPA, class ranking, and ACT or SAT scores), and extracurricular activities.

Applications and additional information on the scholarships can be obtained from Kathy Haake, Debbie Jicha, and Cathy Wilken as follows:

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**Applications must be received no later than noon on March 1.** Final selections will be made and announced by the University of Nebraska after their review.

**DODIE ACKLIE NAKAJIMA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024­–2025**

**All requested information must be provided. If incomplete, your application may not be considered. Attach additional pages as needed to complete this application.**

**Name**       **Birth Date**

**Home Address**

**Phone**       **Student Email**

**Parent’s Employer and Work Location**       **Hire Date**

**Employee Parent’s Name**       **Other Parent’s Name**

**Employee Parent’s Home Address (if Different)**

**Employee Parent’s Email Address**

**High School Attending/Attended**       **What is your current year in school?**

**Graduation Date**

**GPA**       **Class Rank**       **ACT Score**       **SAT Score**

**What University of Nebraska campus do you plan to attend?**  **UNL**  **UNO**   **UNK**  **UNMC**  **NCTA**

**What is your career field?**       **Degree Sought**

**Why have you chosen this career field, and why do you believe you will succeed?**

**Please tell us about your involvement in school and community activities (include leadership positions held).**

**What other scholarships have you applied for?**

**What other scholarships have you received?**

**Please list your siblings and their ages.**

**Please list your siblings that are or will be attending college during the next four years, including when and where each is or will be attending college.**

**Please attach a statement of your financial need for this scholarship. Include the first page of your and your parents’ most recently filed IRS Form 1040. If your parents do not file a joint IRS Form 1040 return, you must include the first page of each parent’s most recently filed IRS Form 1040.**

**Signature**       **Date of Submission**

Disclaimer: By typing your name, you are signing this application electronically. You agree that your electronic signature is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this application.

**Return to:**

**ATTN Kathy Haake**

**Crete Carrier Corporation**

**400 NW 56th ST**

**Lincoln, NE 68528**

*or* **khaake@cretecarrier.com**

**Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship**

**Information and Requirements**

**Purpose:**

In 2005, Duane and Phyllis Acklie established a scholarship fund with the University of Nebraska Foundation in honor of their gifted daughter Dodie Acklie Nakajima. Dodie Acklie Nakajima was a proud alumna and supporter of the University of Nebraska. The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship’s purpose is to assist employees of companies owned by the Acklie family in providing an opportunity for their children to obtain a quality education at the University of Nebraska.

**Eligibility:**

The Dodie Acklie Nakajima Scholarship program is open to dependents of current, full-time employees and owner/operators of Crete Carrier Corporation, Shaffer Trucking, Hunt Transportation, Capitol Casualty Company, and Electronic Contracting Company (collectively, the “Acklie Companies”) who will enroll at any campus of the University of Nebraska.

**Amount, Use, and Duration:**

Up to $75,000 in scholarships will be awarded annually, which can be used for tuition, fees, books, and other qualifying expenses (for undergraduate students only). Scholarship awards will range from $2,000–$6,000 per student per year ($1,000–$3,000 per semester) and are renewable annually for up to four additional years. The scholarships will be paid directly to the University of Nebraska. Subsequent renewal payments will be paid upon official notification from the University of Nebraska that the student has maintained full-time student status and remains in good academic standing.

The scholarship is renewable annually for not more than four additional years provided the student takes the minimum number of class hours required for full-time status, remains in good academic standing, and their parent continues to be a full-time employee at one of the Acklie Companies. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, awards for fifth-year students will be reduced by 50 percent because of funding availability. **Recipients must complete and submit a renewal information form by noon on March 1 of each year.**

**Selection Criteria:**

The Nominating Committee will select the scholarship recipients using the following criteria: financial need, citizenship, leadership, career goals, academic achievement (GPA, class ranking, and ACT or SAT scores), and extracurricular activities.

**Nominating Committee:**

The Nominating Committee members are Dr. Martin Massengale, president emeritus, University of Nebraska; Holly Acklie Ostergard; Jeff Schumacher; and Halley Kruse. The decision of the Nominating Committee is subject to approval by the University of Nebraska Foundation and the University of Nebraska.

**Submission Requirements:**

1. Original signed application.

2. Official documentation of SAT or ACT scores.

3. Original transcript of the high school(s), college, or educational institution(s) must be sent directly from the school(s) to **khaake@cretecarrier.com** *or* mailed to:

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

4. Any college transcript, including grades and courses for the most recently completed semester.

5. Statement of financial need.

6. First page of your and your parents’ most recently filed IRS Form 1040.

**Deadline for Submission:**

**Applications must be submitted by noon on March 1, and final selections will be made and announced by the University of Nebraska after their review.**

Submissions should be emailed to **khaake@cretecarrier.com** *or* mailed to:

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For further clarification, please see the Frequently Asked Questions and Answers.

**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:

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* 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.

**Dodie Acklie Nakajima Memorial Scholarship**

**CHECKLIST FOR FULFILLMENT OF APPLICATION PROCESS**

**Submit all of the following via mail, email, or personal delivery by noon on March 1.**

Fully completed application.

ACT or SAT score report (for new applications only).

Original transcript of high school, college, or educational institution has been sent directly

from my school to **khaake@cretecarrier.com** *or* mailed to:

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Any college transcript, including grades and courses for the most recently completed

semester.

My statement of financial need.

The first page of my and my parents’ most recently filed IRS Form 1040.

**I have met the March 1 noon deadline either by mail, email, or personal delivery.**

**If my application is submitted by email, I will receive a reply that it was received**

**within one week. If I do not receive a confirmation, it is up to me (student applicant)   
to follow up to ensure receipt by the March 1 noon deadline.**

**For Renewal Applications, I have provided my Student ID #.**