



Allendale
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For more information about our scholarships, please reach out to the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation at
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Allendale Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Award



Established by the Allendale Chamber of Commerce in 1995, this scholarship is awarded to an Allendale High School student planning to attend Grand Valley State University.

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Allendale Community Foundation Scholarship



This scholarship was established by the Allendale Community Foundation and Allendale Charter Township as a way to support a graduate residing in Allendale Charter Township who wishes to pursue a post-secondary education.

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Lindsey Bakale Memorial Scholarship Fund



This fund was established in 2001 in loving memory of Lindsey Bakale, who died tragically at a very young age. The Bakale family believed it is important to make a difference in young people's lives within the Allendale Community. This fund continues Lindsey's legacy by awarding a scholarship to an outstanding Allendale High School graduating senior who plans to pursue their dreams through a college education.

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Detter Family Foundation Education Scholarship



This scholarship was started by Jason Detter, through the Detter Family Foundation, for graduates of Allendale Public High School. Recipients are pursuing a career in the field of education and plan to attend a 4-year Michigan college. Recipients also demonstrate leadership and involvement in extracurricular activities.

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Detter Family Foundation Leaders in Mathematics and Science Scholarship



This scholarship was started by Jason Detter, through the Detter Family Foundation, for graduates of Allendale Public High School. Recipients are pursuing a career in the field of mathematics or science and plan to attend a 4-year Michigan college. Recipients also demonstrate leadership and involvement in extracurricular activities.

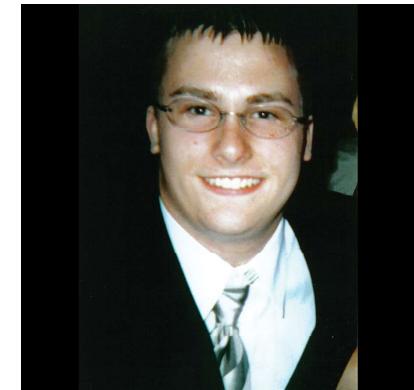
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David James Merkle Memorial Scholarship



This scholarship fund was started in 2006 by the Merkle family after the unexpected death of their son and brother, David James Merkle. David, who had learning and emotional disabilities, worked with many special education teachers at Allendale Public Schools and Sheldon Pines School. His family desired to assist those preparing to work with special needs students like David by establishing this fund. This fund honors David's life by offering scholarships to students attending Grand Valley State University who plan to pursue a career in special education.

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**Alyssa Olafson Memorial
Scholarship Fund**



Family and friends opened this scholarship fund in loving memory of Alyssa, a remarkable young woman who passed away at the age of 19 from a sudden cardiac arrhythmia. Alyssa was a 2013 graduate from Allendale High School, freshman at Western Michigan University, and employed at Harbor House Ministries. She was involved with the National Honor Society; the Varsity Soccer team as co-captain, which receiving All Conference Honors; St. John's Lutheran Church as a member; the Youth Group at Life Stream Church; and the Cru student ministry at WMU. Alyssa will forever be remembered as a phenomenal daughter, sister, and friend.

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**Herman J. and Helen D.
Wyngarden Memorial
Scholarship Fund**



This fund was established in memory of Herman J. and Helen D. Wyngarden, who were longtime educators. It commemorates Dr. and Mrs. Wyngarden's commitment to education and helps students further their education beyond the high school level. Preference may be given to students who plan to study economics or medicine.

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