

2026 Sibling College Scholarship In Memory of Gavin Kowalski



Please complete this application in full and submit all requested materials by the deadline below.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Please tell us about your SOFT sibling and the impact they have made on your life, and respond in essay format. (Attach on a separate sheet and attach to your application)

Your Sibling's Name: _____

Diagnosis: _____ Age: _____

Career Goal:

Extracurricular Activities, Volunteer Activities, Work History:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

School you will be attending: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (admissions office): _____

Anticipated Graduation Date (month/year): _____

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must have/have had a sibling with Trisomy 18, Trisomy 13, or a related disorder.
2. Family must be current SOFT members.
3. Applicant must be entering at least 2nd year of college, university, or technical school.
4. Attendance at the upcoming SOFT Conference is desirable, but not mandatory.
5. Past recipients are not eligible to reapply.

DEADLINE

Applications and accompanying materials must be postmarked by June 1, 2026. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications early so that, if any needed material is missing, it can be corrected before the deadline.

SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION AND USE OF FUNDS

The \$500 scholarship award will be announced and presented at the 2026 SOFT Conference. The money will be given directly to the recipient to be used as needed for:

- Tuition and fees required to enroll or attend an educational institution, OR
- Fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses of instruction.

If the recipient is unable to attend the SOFT Conference, the check will be mailed to him/her.

QUESTIONS / APPLICATION REQUESTS

To receive a printable application online, e-mail Christine Kowalski at t.c.kowalski@hotmail.com. Questions may be emailed or directed to Christine at 360-632-7760.