



***Marengo Union Chamber of Commerce
Joe DeMay Memorial Scholarship 2026***

Joe DeMay, a former director of the Marengo-Union Chamber of Commerce, passed away in 2021. Joe was a graduate of Eastern Illinois University, where he earned a degree in finance. Joe spent his entire career in community banking, working 25 years for First National Bank of Marengo and 10 years for Prairie Community Bank. Joe was very invested in the communities he served, being very involved in various organizations and events he was a part of. He also was an avid golfer, you could find him on the course during almost any free time he had. This memorial scholarship has established for a student residing in the Marengo Union area pursuing a career in **the business or finance field**.

Note: Preference may be given to applicants who have participated on the high school golf team.

Amount of Scholarship: One (1) \$2,500 will be awarded.

Criteria:

- Will be awarded to a student going into the business or finance field.
- A minimum of a B (3.0) cumulative grade point average after 7 semesters.
- Attending post-secondary education at a two year or four year college.
- Write an essay on the topic of “What are your career goals, and how will this scholarship help contribute to your long-term career goals in the finance or business field?”
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher/counselor/employer/mentor.

Due Date: April 3rd, 2026 to the Guidance Office

The scholarship check will be awarded on Senior Honor’s night payable to student and college.

Please note the following information within your application, in addition to completing the section below:

Full name; Home address, city, state; Phone number; Parent or guardian name(s); Email address

Student Name: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____

College/University/Program for Post-secondary Education: _____

Area of Study: _____

Applied? YES NO (circle one) Accepted? YES NO (circle one)

Essay? YES NO (circle one) Letters of Recommendation? YES NO (circle one)

Extracurricular school related activities (including clubs, sports, etc.):
