

More doctors for our communities.

Austin Jenkins Scholarship

The Austin Jenkins Scholarship was established by the Primary Care Initiative in 2022.

Austin Jenkins was a second-year medical student attending the Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine (ICOM) when his life was cut short due to a tragic car accident on October 10, 2020.

Student Doctor Jenkins was in the Top 10 percent of his class, served in leadership roles, and participated in various extracurricular activities. He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

In order to be eligible for this scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrated commitment to Idaho, the practice of primary care, and rural medicine;
- Enrolled full-time and in good standing (not on academic probation or leave of absence) at the College;
- Leadership and a commitment to service;
- Evidence of financial need
- Demonstration of academic excellence; and
- Parent

Applicants must submit an essay in response to the supplemental questions outlined below.

Scholarship Amount

\$15,000

Deadline

May 15, 2022

Supplemental Questions

Provide a written response (1,000 words or less) to the following:

- Provide a short personal introduction that includes a brief description of your family and life experiences that led you to medical school.
- Describe your commitment to practicing primary care medicine in a rural or underserved Idaho community. Please address each of the following:
 - Your reasons for choosing primary care medicine
 - How working with rural or underserved populations aligns with your career goals
 - Your commitment to working in a rural or underserved community
- Describe your leadership experience, including a brief description of any volunteer services, activities, or support you provide to communities and individuals.
- Include a brief description of your financial need and how this scholarship supports your educational goals.

- Provide evidence of academic excellence.
- Provide evidence that you are a parent.

Note: Your response to all of the above should not exceed 1,000 words.

How to Submit

Please send your essay as a single PDF via email to Tammy Perkins, Executive Director of PCI, at tperkins@theprimarycareinitiative.org, using your name as the filename. You should also include your full name on the header of each page.

Disclaimer

The number of scholarships and amount per scholarship(s) will be determined each year based on the PCI Board's policy on distribution and availability of funds. Scholarships are not automatically renewable; students must re-apply each year. Students receiving full-tuition scholarships from other sources are not eligible.