**2026 STFM Conference on Medical Student Education Student Scholarship Nomination Form Due May 16, 2025**

**Nominate a medical student who has an interest in family medicine and the potential for an academic career to be an STFM Foundation Student Scholar. Scholarship winners receive up to $500 to cover travel expenses to attend the 2026 STFM Conference on Medical Student Education and free conference registration.**

Name of Student Nominee:

Student Phone Number: Student Email Address:

Name of Nominator:

Nominator’s Institution:

Nominator’s Email: Nominator’s Phone:

# **AWARD DETAILS** The STFM Foundation supports scholarships of $500 each annually. Scholarship award recipients will be named STFM Foundation Student Scholars and will receive $500 to cover travel expenses to attend the 2026 STFM Conference on Medical Student Education, as well as free conference registration. Awardees will present their posters at the conference. Additional scholarships are available for those who have faced significant challenges, limitations, or obstacles in their journey to a career in medicine.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

* Students must be nominated by faculty. Multiple nominations from the same institution are welcomed.
* Nominated students must have an interest in family medicine and potential for an academic career.
* By nominating a student(s), the nominator’s family medicine department OR school commits to matching the $500 award(s). The exception is The American Academy of Family Physicians support of one target school student with up to $1000 in travel and lodging.

**Nominator Instructions (NEW for 2026)**

* **Who Can Nominate**: Student nominations must be made by faculty from the Family Medicine Department. **Nominations** **deadline** **May 16, 2025**.
* **How to Submit**: Email all nomination materials to Sandy VanTuyl (send tosvantuyl@stfm.org)
	+ - * **What to Include**:
				+ **Completed Nomination Form**
				+ **Letter of Support:** This letter should explain why the student demonstrates promise as an educator, advocate, or scholar in family medicine.
				+ **NEW REQUIREMENT**: Nominators must notify students to submit poster abstracts under the category below.

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**NOMINATED student submission materials (due by June 10, 2025):**

* **Poster Abstract.** Students submit the abstract through the [STFM website for scholarship](https://submit.stfm.org/) under calls: Student Scholar Nominee Poster (in drop down.) **Note**: Students must submit their own independent poster presentation as the lead presenter in this category. Co-presenters are allowed; students cannot submit this poster in any other category.
* **Other Required Materials.** Send tosvantuyl@stfm.org. STFM will follow up with students for a request for these materials.
	+ - **Application Form**: sent via email to students by STFM. Can download from submission site.
		- **Personal Statement**: Choose one example from time in medical school to illustrate how one of the [STFM core values](https://www.stfm.org/about/about/aboutstfm/) prepares them to influence the next generation of family physicians.
		- **Curriculum Vitae (CV)**: focused on service and leadership, 3 pages maximum.
		- **High-resolution headshot photo.**
		- **To be considered for additional funding,** provide one paragraph regarding significant challenges, limitations, or obstacles in your journey to a career in medicine.

**Review and Decision Notification**

* **Scholarship Decisions**: All STFM Foundation Student Scholarship recipients will be notified in **mid to late** **August 2025**.

**Poster criteria for students:** Student abstracts should describe a research or service project in which they have played, or will play, a substantial role during medical school. It can be a completed project or one that they are just starting to work on now. Examples of projects include scholarship, research, community work, education, practice-based quality improvement, or global health. Nominators can give guidance on the abstract and how to best prepare the poster. **Note:** Students must submit their own independent poster presentation as the lead presenter in this category. Co-presenters are allowed; students cannot submit this poster in any other category.

**Abstracts will be evaluated based on the following criteria:**  The abstract is clearly written

 Goals of the academic work are clearly articulated

 Experience is relevant to family medicine or student education

 Abstract describes an experience or project that is interesting, original and/or innovative

 Abstract is limited to 2,500 characters (including spaces)