



Normandy Academy Scholarship 2025 at North Kansas City Schools in honor of Michele Evenson Lindsey

The National World War II Museum's Normandy Academy is a 12-day immersive summer learning and leadership experience in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Normandy, France. It challenges students to learn from the choices made before and during the historic D-Day landings. Through the generosity of Oak Park alumnae, Linda Holwick Bond '76 and the late Michele Evenson Lindsay '76, other dedicated donors, and the Jedel Family Foundation, two students from each high school within North Kansas City Schools will be selected to attend the 2025 Normandy Academy. They will receive full scholarships to cover tuition, meals, flights, and travel expenses. Please note that the scholarship does not cover optional college credit offered through Nicholls State University. Students who wish to receive college credit must find alternative funding. For more information about the program, visit the Normandy Academy's website.

Normandy Academy Dates: June 25 – July 4, 2025 or July 1 – July 11, 2025 (students may share their date preferences on the application)

Application Deadline: 5 p.m. Saturday, November 30, 2024

Application Criteria: Applicants must be current juniors at **North Kansas City, Oak Park, Staley, or Winnetonka High Schools** who have completed the district's U.S. History course as sophomores and are currently enrolled in the district's U.S. Government course.

Application Requirements: The <u>2025 Normandy Academy Scholarship Form</u> is offered online via Microsoft Forms using this link: <u>https://forms.microsoft.com/r/vnhZPsJM90</u> and requires the following:

- NOTE: Students <u>MUST</u> access the form from an NKC Schools device while logged in under their NKC Schools account.
- Student and Parent/ Legal Guardian Contact Information
- Current High School Transcript
- **Current High School Resume** (Include activities, honors, leadership positions, community service, work experiences, etc.)

- **Short Essay** (500 words or less) in response to the following question: How will participation in the **Normandy Academy** enrich your future educational experiences, both academically and from a leadership perspective?
- **Participation and Acknowledgment Form** signed by both you and your parent(s)/guardian(s).
- **Teacher Recommendation Form** that you provide to a teacher who can attest to your character and suitability for this program. Students should direct their teachers to the Microsoft Form here to complete their recommendation by the application deadline: <u>https://forms.microsoft.com/r/hJri5CJ8nq</u>

Deadline: Students must submit the 2025 Normandy Academy application and all requirements listed above by 5 p.m. Saturday, November 30, 2024. Teacher Recommendation Forms are due at the same time and must be submitted via Microsoft Forms here: https://forms.microsoft.com/r/hJri5CJ8ng

Applicants may be invited to interview with the selection committee. **Finalists at each high school will be notified of their selection by January 31, 2025**. After that, the **Education Foundation** will assist them in submitting their information to the **Normandy Academy/World War II Museum**. At that point, **Normandy Academy** will work directly with students to arrange all travel and logistical details for the program.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Following their selection, students must affirm their commitment to the **Normandy Academy** program; pending emergencies, they are expected to remain committed and participate fully. Participants must already possess or immediately apply for a **U.S. passport**.

Follow Up: During the 2025-2026 school year, **Normandy Academy** participants may be asked to present their experiences to U.S. History or U.S. Government classes at their schools.

Questions? Contact the Education Foundation at (816) 321-5550 or foundation@nkcschools.org