The Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship Trust was established by the Will of Helen Bergstrom Ernst to further the education of students who are members of The Spirit Lake Tribe. Helen was born and raised in St. Paul, MN but became fascinated with the Lake Region when her brother Arthur Bergstrom moved to Devils Lake, ND in 1919 and founded Lake Chevrolet in 1923. When Helen came to visit her brother, she developed a deep and abiding love for the people of the Lake Region and especially for the members of the Spirit Lake Tribe. She admired the spirit of the people. As a result of her love, this scholarship trust was established.

To obtain an application or further information regarding the Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship please contact:

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Spirit Lake Tribe Education Office  
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Scholarship recipients who desire to send a note of thanks may send it to the address above.

Qualifications Include:

- Applicant must be currently enrolled or enrolling in an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Applicant must be a member of the Spirit Lake Tribe.
- Required to carry 12 or more credits per term.
- Term and cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 basis.
- Applications are due on or before September 27, 2024.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- One half of the amount awarded will be paid in the fall semester. Spring semester payment is conditioned on proof of full time enrollment and term and cumulative grade point of 2.0 on 4.0 scale.

The Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship Trust is a private foundation and is exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to the trust are eligible for tax deductions and can be directed to:

Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship Trust  
c/o First United Bank  
PO Box 160  
Devils Lake, ND 58301