

Lindsey Koch- 2015 HEF scholarship recipient

Lindsey has spent her first semester at Coe College in Cedar Rapids exploring her options and deciding on a major. She's taken a variety of classes and enjoyed getting to meet many new people. Lindsey is also a member of the Coe volleyball team that competes during the fall season and looks forward to playing again next year.

Getting a HEF scholarship was special for Lindsey. She says, "It was nice knowing that the community of Hudson believed in me and wanted to support me in furthering my education. Groups like the Hudson Educational Fund are important to high school students because they help lessen the financial burden that college presents. Scholarships help students get off to a good start in their college careers."

Lindsey advises Hudson seniors to enjoy every moment left of high school and not worry if your future plans aren't set in stone. She says, "Don't panic if you are a senior and have no idea where you want to go or what you want to study. It took me a long time to pick the college that was right for me and I still don't know what I am going to major in." Even though the scholarship application process takes time and effort, it is definitely worth it.

All 2016 seniors are encouraged to apply for the 2016 HEF scholarships. The application deadline is **Friday, February 19th, 2016 at 2 p.m.** If anyone has questions about the Hudson Educational Fund (HEF) or about how to donate and contribute to scholarships for both students and projects of Hudson School teachers, please contact Jim Prather, Doug Coonrad, Shawn Kolterman or Joanne Hawkins. The HEF Board can also be reached by email at HudsonEducationalFund@hudsonpiratepride.com. Any contributions to scholarships or school projects can be sent to HEF at PO Box 281 Hudson, Iowa 50643.

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