

Dear Parent/Teacher,

Thank you so much for your interest in the Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH) Auxiliary's ACHiever program.

The ACHiever program, founded to allow ninth grade students a unique opportunity to network directly with medical professionals and their peers and to raise funds and awareness for ACH, has been ongoing in the community for over two decades.

This program exposes young people to ACH, introducing them to a variety of medical careers and encouraging the importance of philanthropy. In addition to the community service hours earned through educational program attendance, ACHiever participants may earn additional service hours working in non-patient care areas — up to 40+ hours.

Sessions occur monthly from October to April with a variety of community service opportunities offered through the seven-month program. Educational sessions take place one Monday of each month from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Educational sessions may include presentations or tours of departments and units like the Angel One Transport Department, David M. Clark Center for Safe and Healthy Children, Injury Prevention, Arkansas Children's Heart Institute, Arkansas Children's Research Institute and more! The program culminates in April with a graduation ceremony and dinner for ACHievers and their parents.

Please share this information with your students. If they decide to make a commitment to the ACHiever program, please complete and mail the application and deposit* to ACH Auxiliary, 1 Children's Way, Slot 661, Little Rock, AR 72202. Thanks to the generosity of local businesses and individuals, scholarships are available. If students would like to apply for a scholarship, please check scholarship application on the payment section.

Once students are accepted into the program, you will be notified and additional detailed information will be mailed to you. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

We look forward to having your son/daughter as an ACHiever!

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*The deposit fee is \$200.

2025-2026 ACHiever Program Application

PROGRAM APPLYING TO: BC	DY/GIRL <mark>(please circle)</mark>			
APPLICANT NAME:		AGE		
SCHOOL ATTENDING FALL 20	025:	T-SHIRT SIZE		
HOME ADDRESS:	CITY	ZIP		
APPLICANT PHONE:	APPLICANT'S E-MAIL:			
PARENT/S:	CELL PHONE:	CELL PHONE:		
	CELL PHONE:			
ADDRESS (if different from abo	ve):			
PARENT/S EMAIL ADDRESS				
	THAN PARENTS):			
RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICAN	IT:			
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BUSINESS (if business sponsor	ring):			
	CITY			
APPLICANT'S CURRENT ACTI	IVITIES/INTERESTS:			
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Scholarship Application Please charge \$1,200 to my	\$200 is enclosed. Invoice me remainder pe	er payment schedule		

Name as it appears on credit card: _____

Credit	Card	#:

_____ Expiration Date: ___/___ CVV: ____

Please make checks payable to: Arkansas Children's Hospital Auxiliary

ACHiever Program Participant Volunteer Hours

We encourage each ACHiever to complete at least 15 volunteer community service hours within the ACHiever Program. They earn those hours by attending educational sessions and participating in volunteer opportunities throughout the year. The ACHiever Program will provide the opportunity for them to earn 40+ hours.

In Addition to the Educational Sessions and Tours, Program Includes:

- T-shirt, notebook and welcome packet
- 'Stop the Bleed' Certification Course Training
- CPR Certification Course
- Exclusive ACHiever Participant Volunteer Opportunities
- 1 Complimentary ACH Auxiliary Membership for parent or guardian
- Graduation dinner and ceremony with tickets for 2 guests and a gift
- Graduates Highlighted and Announced in a local publication

ACHiever SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION and APPLICATION

A child may be sponsored by a parent, relative, friend, business or civic organization. All participant fees are used to support Arkansas Children's Hospital Auxiliary fundraising efforts.

A limited number of scholarships are available for students who meet the following criteria:

- 1. Will be entering the ninth grade in the fall.
- 2. Will be unable to participate financially without a scholarship.
- 3. Student must submit essay of no more than 100 words indicating why participation in the program is important to the student, signed by parent or school counselor.

If your child is interested in participating and he or she meets the above criteria, please complete the enclosed application, mark scholarship application on the payment box and attach it, along with your child's essay, before mailing. No deposit is necessary.

2025-2026 ACHiever PLEDGE SCHEDULE

The participation fee for the ACH ACHiever program is \$1,200. Please note that this fee is **<u>non-refundable</u>** once the applicant has been accepted into the program. For your convenience, the following payment schedule is offered:

Due with Application.....\$200 Invoiced monthly beginning October 2026\$200

Balance is due by April 20, 2026* and can be paid in full at any time. Balance must be paid in full for student to participate in graduation

The above payment schedule may be followed, total payment may be made at any time or we can work with you to create a payment schedule that works best for you.

We accept personal or business checks, cash, VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. Checks may be mailed to the address noted in the payment section.

When submitting: Please include application, media release, deposit and essay if applicable.