



# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Five awards of \$1500 each, one winner per represented county, to be presented during the Eastern Region PSEA Scholarship Banquet and Awards Ceremony on Thursday, **April 24, 2025, at Lower Macungie Community Center.**

The Eastern Region of the Pennsylvania State Education Association (heretofore referred to as “Eastern PSEA”) is proud to announce the continuation of the Eastern Region PSEA Scholarship Program. The graduating child/stepchild of one PSEA member in each of the five counties represented by Eastern PSEA – Berks, Schuylkill, Carbon, Lehigh, or Northampton – will receive a one-time, one thousand five hundred dollar (\$1500) scholarship to pursue continuing studies beyond high school.

## **I. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS**

- A) The applicant must be a graduating senior at a school represented by PSEA.
- B) The parent/stepparent/guardian of the child must be a dues-paying PSEA member in Berks, Schuylkill, Carbon, Lehigh, or Northampton County.
- C) The applicant must have applied to or have been accepted into a post-high school program or college/university.

## **II. SYSTEM FOR SELECTION OF RECIPIENT**

Five \$1500 scholarship awards will be given per year to the child of a member from each of the five counties represented by Eastern PSEA — Berks, Schuylkill, Carbon, Lehigh, and Northampton County. The applicant does not necessarily need to go to a school located in the same county in which his/her parent/stepparent/guardian is employed as a PSEA member. *(For instance, the child of a member who works in Carbon County but who lives in Pike County would still be eligible to apply, given the applicant attends a public or PSEA-represented school.)*

Each applicant must submit a **complete** application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The PSEA Eastern Region Office will collect all submissions.

A committee consisting of former region officers and committee volunteers will determine successful applicants. Names will be withheld from selection committee members.

### III. EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

Applications are evaluated according to the following:

- A) High school records supported by official copies supplied by the school office:
  - 1. Class rank
  - 2. Grade point average
  - 3. Official transcripts
- B) Written essay – “Why public education matters to me, my family, and the future.”

### IV. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

- A) Scholarship recipients will be presented with their awards at the Eastern Region PSEA Scholarship Banquet and Awards Ceremony on Thursday, **April 24, 2025, at Lower Macungie Community Center.**
- B) Scholarship recipients must be present at the banquet in order to receive the award.
- C) The student and two adults will be treated to dinner that evening. Additional family members and friends will be eligible to attend the banquet family at a cost of \$25 per person. Information will be provided to scholarship recipients.
- D) Scholarship recipients will be asked to suggest a teacher they would like to join them that evening in order to introduce them for the presentation of their award.
- E) Scholarship recipients will be asked to offer a few words to the audience upon accepting their award. Recipients may read their essays aloud in lieu of preparing separate remarks.
- F) **All applications must be submitted by February 14, 2025, via email to [e-rgn@psea.org](mailto:e-rgn@psea.org).** Email subject line should read **PSEA Scholarship Program Application. *Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.***
- G) Successful applicants will be notified no later than March 21, 2025.



# 2025 EASTERN PSEA \$1500 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of Student Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (include ZIP code): \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (used for notification): \_\_\_\_\_

School which applicant currently attends: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher you would like to invite if selected: \_\_\_\_\_

Building in which above-named teacher works: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the PSEA parent/stepparent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

School district where the PSEA parent/stepparent/guardian works: \_\_\_\_\_

DECLARATION:

*"I certify that the information is correct to the best of my knowledge, and any misrepresentation of facts could result in the forfeiture of any scholarship money awarded. I understand that all information supplied on this application will be kept in strict confidence, and that after usage of this form is completed, it will be destroyed."*

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

PSEA member's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Schools or Colleges applied to:**

_____	Accepted? _____	Pending? _____
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Intended Major or Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed applications must be submitted by **FEBRUARY 14, 2025**, and sent to:  
[E-RGN@PSEA.ORG](mailto:E-RGN@PSEA.ORG)  
 Subject Line: PSEA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

## **2025 EASTERN PSEA \$1500 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

A) **High school records** supported by official copies supplied by the school office:

1. **Class rank:** # \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ students

2. **Grade point average:** \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Please include a copy of an official transcript with your application*

### **School and extracurricular activities**

- Please list any school-related groups or clubs to which you belong that meet either before, during, or after school:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Please list any positions or offices you might hold in any school-related groups or clubs, as well as any other prizes, awards, or special honors you have received in school:

*\* A resume containing the above information may be attached to this application*

### **Involvement in community activities/employment record**

- Please list any groups or clubs to which you belong that are not related to school:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Please list any positions or offices you might hold in any of the aforementioned groups, as well as any other prizes, awards, or special honors you have received:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Please list any jobs or employment activities which you might have that are not directly related to school:

*\* A resume containing the above information may be attached to this application*

## **2025 EASTERN PSEA \$1500 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**B) Written essay – Why public education matters to me, my family, and the future.**

Our focus in Eastern PSEA is “Promoting the Promise of Public Education.” Therefore, on a separate page, please type an essay — no longer than 2 pages and double-spaced (*using standard type and margins*) — on what public education means to you as a student, to your family, and to future generations of schoolchildren and/or school employees. It is suggested that your essay contain a story of how public education or someone in public education has impacted you.

\*Please do not forget to include your **transcript** and your **essay** along with this **application form**.

**Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.**

Thank you, and good luck!