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2015 Application

THE MEA SCHOLARSHIP

For dependents of MEA members in good standing or MEA-Retired members

Fill out online, save file and print to mail to address on page 2.

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■ Name Last First Middle Initial

Street Address City State Zip

Phone / Email Address

Age Male Female High School Graduation Year High School

If you are in high school and are doing dual enrollment indicate where

School District College (if currently an undergrad)

Documented Grade Point Average (REQUIRED) ACT Score and/or SAT Score

Check one of the following: High School Student Undergrad Student Returning Award Recipient—indicate year(s) received _____

Social Security Number (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY) _____ Signature (REQUIRED) _____

At least one parent must be an MEA member in good standing or MEA-Retired member

■ Father Place of employment

Position MEA member ID or SSN (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY):

■ Mother Place of employment

Position MEA member ID or SSN (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY):

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Read this information carefully, your application form will be automatically rejected if you do not meet this criteria or you do not follow instructions as indicated.

- Dependent of MEA member in good standing or MEA-Retired member.
- Graduate of a Michigan public high school or private high school that has an MEA bargaining unit.
- Will attend or is currently an undergraduate student of a Michigan public community/junior college, four-year degree-granting institution, or vocational training institution that grants a degree, certification or license. Those attending the following private institutions ONLY are also eligible: Baker College-Flint/Owosso; University of Detroit–Mercy; Davenport University–Eastern Region Campus; Adrian College; Finlandia University; Albion College; and Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University. (The aforementioned private institutions are existing local MEA affiliates.)
- Note: Children of MEA officers, fund trustees, and MEA staff are not eligible. (A child of an MEA, MESSA or MEA-FS staff person is eligible if the other parent is an MEA member in good standing.)

APPLICATION RESULTS

- Applicants can expect to be notified of the outcome of their application by mid-April.
- The amount and number of scholarships offered shall be determined each year by the MEA Scholarship Fund Trustees. The scholarship is renewable not more than four times in a five-year period, at a lower monetary amount than the initial award, subject to satisfactory academic progress.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Priority is given on the basis of:

- Academic achievement.
- Extra-curricular activities.
- School and community service.
- Students from lower income households.

In addition:

- Scholarship determination will be made strictly on the merit of the applicant's performance against the above criteria. The selection and award of scholarships is a nondiscriminatory process.
- MEA Scholarships will be awarded by the trustees of the MEA Scholarship Fund. This body is composed of MEA members and persons appointed from the general public. The fund is financed through the voluntary contributions of the members, staff and friends of the Michigan Education Association.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

- Applicants must complete ALL sections of the application form. **Do not staple any of the materials or put materials in any type of folder or portfolio, as it will be discarded. In addition, do not include any unnecessary documents with the form, such as photographs, news clippings or IRS/income tax information, as they will be disregarded.**
- By submitting this application, the applicant is attesting to the accuracy of the information given and to his/her compliance with the criteria of the scholarship.
- The completed form with required attachments should be returned either handwritten or typed in blue or black ink (do NOT use pencil, notebook or heavy weight paper) to:
Attn: Human Resources
MEA Scholarship Fund
Michigan Education Association
1350 Kendale Blvd.
East Lansing, MI 48823

No fax or email materials will be accepted.

Note: Affix proper postage to ensure delivery by deadline!

DEADLINE: Application and supporting documents must be in our possession no later than: **Feb. 27, 2015**

Deadline strictly adhered to and will not be changed due to weather delays, snow days or power outages.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION/SIGNATURE CHECKLIST

- High school applicant:** Official high school transcript showing cumulative GPA, including 1st semester senior year, and any higher education course transcripts including dual enrollment
- High school or undergrad applicants:** Two letters of recommendation that address applicant's qualifications in meeting the selection criteria (may not be a family member or a school principal/designee or counselor/college advisor if writing statement on page 3)
- Undergrad applicant or returning recipient:** Copy of high school transcript
- Returning recipient:** One letter of recommendation
- All applicants:** Copy of SAT and/or ACT score documentation (if not included on high school transcript) only best score
- Undergrad applicant or returning recipient:** Current official college transcript
- All applicants:** Personal statement (see page 4)
- All applicants:** Personal resumé (one-sheet limit is strictly adhered to)
- All applicants:** Principal/designee or counselor/college advisor statement and his/her signature (see page 4)
- All applicants:** Three signatures of applicant on required lines (see pages 1, 3, and 4)

Is every line filled in? Is every signature obtained? GO BACK and CHECK then CHECK AGAIN!

■ Total Annual Gross Household Income **(REQUIRED INFORMATION)** \$ _____

■ Number of dependent siblings (not counting you) ■ Number of siblings currently attending college ■ Other family dependents at home

■ Other factors contributing to your financial need (e.g., special family health problems)

■ Michigan colleges and/or vocational institutions **APPLIED** to

■ Michigan colleges and/or vocational institutions **ACCEPTED** by

■ Career choice (if decided)

■ How do you plan to finance your college education aside from this scholarship, should you receive it?

■ Why do you think you would be a worthy recipient of this scholarship?

Signature of applicant **(REQUIRED)** _____ Date _____

Personal Resumé

■ Include a personal resumé **limited to one sheet of paper** in the sample style shown on web:

High school: <http://jobsearch.about.com/od/careeradviceresources//blhighschoolresume.htm>

College: <http://jobsearch.about.com/od/resumesandcoverletters//blcollegeresume.htm>

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Personal Statement to be Completed by Student

■ Please describe someone or something that has been a major influence in your life. (Include statement on separate sheet if needed.)

■ Signature of applicant **(REQUIRED)** _____ Date _____

This Portion to be Completed by Principal (or Designee) or Counselor/Advisor

■ In consideration of the of selection criteria, please provide a statement as to why you believe this student should receive an MEA Scholarship. (Include statement on separate sheet if needed.)

■ Signature of principal/designee, counselor/college advisor **(REQUIRED)** _____

Name of person who signed above (print) _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ / _____

High School Principal High School Counselor College Advisor Designee (specify position) _____

