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2023 Application

THE ME A SCHOLARSHIP

For dependents of ME A members or ME A-Retired members in good standing.
Fill out online, save file and email to address on page 2.

■ Name Last		First	Middle Initial
Permanent Address		City	State Zip
Phone /		Email Address	
Age	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: <input type="checkbox"/> High School Student <input type="checkbox"/> Undergrad Student <input type="checkbox"/> Returning Award Recipient—indicate year(s) received _____			
Social Security Number (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY)		Signature (REQUIRED)	

At least one parent must be an ME A member or ME A-Retired member in good standing.

■ Father	Place of employment
Position	ME A member ID
■ Mother	Place of employment
Position	ME A member ID

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 ME A member or ME A-Retired member in good standing.
- Graduate of a Michigan public high school or private high school that has an ME A bargaining unit. (Diploma must be received in the year of application.)
- 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; Adrian College; Finlandia University; and Abion College (The aforementioned private institutions are existing local ME A affiliates.)
- Note: Children of ME A officers, fund trustees, and ME A staff are not eligible.
(A child of an ME A, MESSA or ME A-FS staff person is eligible if the other parent is an ME A member in good standing.)
- Beginning in 2022-2023, ME A will offer an additional scholarship meant to encourage and support the continued education of members of the BIPOC (African American/Black, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian/Pacific Islander or Hispanic/Latinx) community to further the belief that a diverse society enriches all individuals. Applicants for the BIPOC Scholarship must identify as a member of a defined BIPOC group as listed above. If you are such a member and would like to be considered for the BIPOC Scholarship, please check here: ☐

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 ME A 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.

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 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 may be returned either handwritten in blue or black ink or typed (do not use pencil, notebook, or heavy weight paper) to:

MEA Scholarship Fund
Attention: Human Resources
Michigan Education Association
1350 Kendale Blvd.
East Lansing, MI 48823

Application materials may also be emailed to bhitchcock@mea.org in a PDF format. No fax materials will be accepted.

DEADLINE: Application and supporting documents must be in our possession no later than: **February 16, 2023**

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:** Copy of high school transcript
- ☐ **Returning recipient:** One letter of recommendation
- ☐ **High school or undergrad 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; may be double sided)
- ☐ **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!

■ 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 (double sided acceptable)**. Sample resumes can be found at:
thebalancecareers.com/job-resumes-4161923

DO NOT STAPLE

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 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) _____

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