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# **The MEA Scholarship**

| Last Name  |               | First Name            |                     |        | М.І. |  |  |
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| Permanent Address  |               | City                  |                     | State  | Zip  |  |  |
| County   |               | Phone                 |                     | Email  |      |  |  |
| Age  | High School G | Fraduation Year       | High School         |        |      |  |  |
| If you are in high school and are doing dual enrollment, indicate where                          |               |                       |                     |        |      |  |  |
| School District College (if o  |               | currently an undergra | d)                  |        |      |  |  |
| Documented Grade Point Average (REQUIRED)  |               | ACT Score             | SAT Score           |        |      |  |  |
| High Scho  | ol Student    | Undergrad Student     | Returning Award Rec | ipient |      |  |  |
| If returning, indicate year(s) received  |               |                       |                     |        |      |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Social Security Number (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY)</li> <li>Signature (REQUIRED)</li> </ul> |               |                       |                     |        |      |  |  |

#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

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

#### Dependent of MEA member or MEA-Retired member in good standing

| Children of MEA officers, fund trustees, and MEA staff are not eligible unless the other parent is an MEA/MEA-Retired member in good standing. |                     |  |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Eligible parent's full name  | Place of employment |  |
| Position   | MEA member ID       |  |
| Second eligible parent's full name   | Place of employment |  |
| Position   | MEA member ID       |  |

Graduate of a Michigan public high school or private high school that has an MEA bargaining unit. Diploma must be received in the application year.

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. These private institutions ONLY are also eligible: University of Detroit-Mercy; Adrian College; Finlandia University; Albion College.

#### BIPOC Scholarship (check box if eligible)

MEA now offers an additional scholarship meant to encourage and support the continued education of members of the BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) community to further the belief that a diverse society enriches all individuals. Check box if you identify as a BIPOC student.

#### **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Number of dependent siblingsNumber of siblings currently attending collegeOther factors contributing to your financial need (e.g., special family health problems)

Other family dependents at home

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? (Include statement on separate sheet if needed.)

Signature of applicant (REQUIRED)

#### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

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

Date

### RESUME

Include a personal resume limited to one sheet of paper (double sided acceptable).

Sample resumes can be found here:



liveabout.com/resumes-6504758

# **REQUIREMENT TABLE**

Be sure to include all items in the relevant column.

| High School Senior/<br>BIPOC High School Senior<br>(First Time Applicant)  | <b>Undergrad/BIPOC Undergrad</b><br>(First Time Applicant)   | Returning Recipient/<br>Returning BIPOC   |
|--|--|---|
| Official high school transcript must<br>include cumulative GPA, 1st semester<br>of senior year, and any higher education<br>course transcripts including dual<br>enrollment.   | □ Copy of high school transcript   | □ Copy of high school transcript  |
| □ TWO letters of recommendation that<br>address applicant's qualifications in<br>meeting the selection criteria (may not<br>be a family member, or the school<br>principal/designee or counselor/college<br>advisor that is writing the statement on<br>page 4.) | □ TWO letters of recommendation that<br>address applicant's qualifications in<br>meeting the selection criteria (may not<br>be a family member, or the school<br>principal/designee or counselor/college<br>advisor that is writing the statement on<br>page 4.) | ONE letter of recommendation that<br>address applicant's qualifications in<br>meeting the selection criteria (may not<br>be a family member, or the school<br>principal/designee or counselor/college<br>advisor that is writing the statement on<br>page 4.) |
| Copy of SAT and/or ACT score<br>documentation (if not included on high<br>school transcript) only best score.  | Copy of SAT and/or ACT score<br>documentation (if not included on high<br>school transcript) only best score.  |   |
|  | Current official college transcript must include 1st semester of current year.   | Current official college transcript must include 1st semester of current year.  |
| Personal Statement   | Personal Statement   | Personal Statement  |
| Personal Resume  | 🗆 Personal Resume  | 🗆 Personal Resume   |
| Principal designee or counselor/college<br>advisor statement and his/her<br>signature (see page 4). Signature is<br>required. This does not count towards<br>your two letters of recommendation.   | Principal designee or counselor/college<br>advisor statement and his/her<br>signature (see page 4). Signature is<br>required. This does not count towards<br>your two letters of recommendation.   | Principal designee or counselor/college<br>advisor statement and his/her<br>signature (see page 4). Signature is<br>required. This does not count towards<br>your one letter of recommendation.   |
| Three required signatures of applicant,<br>on the required lines (see pages 1, 2,<br>and 4)  | Three required signatures of applicant,<br>on the required lines (see pages 1, 2,<br>and 4)  | Three required signatures of applicant,<br>on the required lines (see pages 1, 2,<br>and 4)   |

#### THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNSELOR, ADVISOR, PRINCIPAL OR DESIGNEE

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 counselor, advisor, prin | cipal or designee ( <b>REQUIRED</b> ) |       |       | Date |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Name of person who signed above       |                                       | Phone |       |      |
| Address                               | City                                  |       | State | Zip  |
| High School Principal                 |                                       |       |       |      |
| High School Counselor                 |                                       |       |       |      |
| College Advisor                       |                                       |       |       |      |
| Designee (specify position)           |                                       |       |       |      |

### **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.

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.

| The completed PDF form with required          | The completed form with required attachments may be returned either handwritten         |
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| attachments may be emailed to                 | in blue or black ink or typed (do not use pencil, notebook, or heavy weight paper) to:  |
| -   | In blue of black link of typed (do not use pencit, notebook, of neavy weight paper) to. |
| MEAScholarship@mea.org. Include your          | MEA Scholarship Fund  |
| personal resumé in PDF format, limited to     | Attention: Human Resources  |
| two pages. Do not include any unnecessary     | Michigan Education Association  |
| documents with the form, such as photographs, | 1350 Kendale Blvd.  |
|   |   |
| news clippings, tax information, etc.         | East Lansing, MI 48823  |

Applicants must complete ALL sections of the application form. By submitting this application, the applicant is attesting to the accuracy of the information and to their compliance with the criteria of the scholarship. Application and supporting documents must be in our possession no later than Feb. 10, 2025. Deadline strictly adhered to and will not be changed due to weather delays, snow days or power outages.

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