

HANCOCK COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Guidelines for the scholarship: **Awarded to students with an EDUCATION MAJOR.**

1. Four **\$2,000** scholarships shall be awarded yearly. Two scholarships are awarded by the HCRTA and two by Gene Acocks in honor of his wife, Helen.
2. Those applying for these scholarships must use the forms supplied by HCRTA.
3. Applications, including high school grade transcripts, cumulative GPA, rank in class and , if available, results of standard college board test such as ACT, SAT, PSAT, along with three recommendations must be completed and postmarked on or before March 1 and turned into the Scholarship Committee Chairperson.
4. **IMPORTANT** – One recommendation must be completed by teachers or other school personal. The second recommendation must be completed by someone **not** related to the school, such as an employer, clergyman or community leader such as scouts leader, 4-H, etc. Since applicants are responsible for sending all information to HCRTA by the deadline, we suggest they; a) supply each of those who are making a recommendation a stamped envelope addressed to the HCRTA Scholarship Chair and b) contact each recommender, as a reminder, several days prior to March 1st. (Sometimes things get lost on peoples desk!)
5. A typewritten biographical statement must be included.
6. **All Applications are Due to Dana K. Patterson by March 1st.**
7. Four finalists and two runners up will be selected by the HCRTA committee in case a selected person cannot take advantage of the scholarship.

Scholarship awards will be paid in full to the recipient upon evidence of a minimum of 12 semester/quarter hours and a grade point of 2.0 or above during the first semester/quarter of post high school study. The recipient's college or university transcript must be received by the HCRTA chairperson no later than February 1, 2023. The chairperson should be notified before that date before that date if for some reason there is a delay receiving the transcript from the school.

Note: A copy of the original transcripts or grade sheet will be accepted. Send information to:

Mrs. Dana K. Patterson
HCRTA Scholarship Chairperson
2247 Fox Run Cir
Findlay, Ohio 45840
419-306-8947
Pattersondan01@gmail.com

Check List

- ☐ Completed Application
- ☐ Biographic Statement
- ☐ High School Grade Transcript with Related Information
- ☐ 1st Letter of Recommendation sent Directly to Scholarship Chairperson

- 2nd Letter of Recommendation from Someone **NOT** Directly Related to the School and Sent Directly to Scholarship Chairperson. **All Information must be mailed by March 1st**

HANCOCK COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Return applications to: Mrs. Dana K. Patterson
HCRTA Scholarship Chairperson
2247 Fox Run Cir
Findlay, Ohio 45840

Application Information:

Full Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

Birthday _____ Current High School _____

Parents Names _____

Attending or Accepted at College/University _____

Major _____ Minor _____

(If known) (If known)

Academic Information – Include a copy of your transcript.

Funding (projected) Parent's Annual Income

Amount of Tuition _____ Fathers Income _____

Room and Board _____ Mothers Income _____

Total _____ Total Income _____

Have you received any other scholarships? Please list by name and amount:

Number of siblings _____ Number at Home _____ Number in College _____

Amount you are contributing to your education _____

Amount your parents are contributing to your education _____

Are you employed? _____

Do you plan to work while in college? _____

Biographical statement:

Describe your journey throughout your years in school. How have you grown as an individual over the course of time in elementary, middle and high school? What experiences and individuals have encouraged you at each of these levels and have shaped the person you are today? Finally, end your essay by describing the reason why you should be selected for this scholarship. Why would you be a good investment for us? Explain why you are choosing the specific field of education you wish to teach.

Submit your response according to the following guidelines:

- One page, single-spaced
- Paragraph format
- One-inch margins (top, bottom, left, right)
- Size 12pt. (Font: Times New Roman)
- Your name (first and last) typed on the first line in the upper left corner
- Four line space/returns between your name and the beginning of your essay
- On a separate page list all extra circular activities involved in such as:
school, community, church, sports, 4-H, scouting etc.