

POLONIA PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP

For the 2021-2022 academic year, one (1) \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is a Berks County resident and who can provide evidence that he/she is at least of 25% Polish heritage.

First year college "non-renewable" scholarship is available to high school seniors pursuing their studies in an accredited post-secondary educational institution in either a two or four-year program.

Criteria for award include:

- HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RESIDING IN BERKS COUNTY
- OFFICIAL ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT INCLUDING GPA TO VERIFY AT LEAST A 3.0 (B) AVERAGE OR EQUIVALENT AT TIME OF APPLICATION
- PROOF OF 25% POLISH DESCENT
- COMPLETION OF ENTIRE APPLICATION INCLUDING ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS
- MUST BE ENROLLING IN AN ACCREDITED POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN EITHER A TWO OR FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM
- STUDENTS PERSONAL PROFILE ESSAY WHICH INCLUDES ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ACTIVITIES IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL, AND FUTURE GOALS, INCLUDING HOW YOU CELEBRATE YOUR POLISH HERITAGE.
- SUBMISSION OF A PROJECT BASED ON POLISH HISTORY, CULTURE AND / OR TRADITIONS. STUDENTS ARE
 ENCOURAGED TO EXPLORE THEIR POLISH HERITAGE AND "THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX." THE PROJECT WILL BE AT
 THE STUDENTS CHOICE BUT MUST BE INCLUSIVE OF ALL MATERIALS, MUST BE SELF SUFFICIENT AND BE IN ITS'
 ENTIRETY WHEN DELIVERED TO THE PAHABC CULTURAL CENTER FOR DISPLAY. PROJECT WILL BE JUDGED ON
 CONTENT, NEATNESS, ACCURACY AND AUTHENTICITY.
- WRITTEN NARRATIVE WHY YOU CHOSE THE SUBJECT OF YOUR PROJECT.
- STUDENT AND/OR THEIR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT TO ACCEPT THE AWARD AT THE POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION PROGRAM, WHICH IS YET TO BE DETERMINED.

Applications for this scholarship are available at Berks County high schools guidance offices, by contacting Ms. Sandy Lubas Hummel at sahummel@ptd.net, or in the Polish-American Cultural Center, pending its' opening to the public. Questions regarding the scholarship guidelines may be directed to Ms. Hummel at sahummel@ptd.net or call 610-207-7065.

DEADLINE: Normally, the application and all required documentation (listed above), including the project, must be received in the PAHABC Cultural Center at the GoggleWorks, 201 Washington Street, Reading PA 19601. Due to the uncertainty of this facility opening to the public due to the pandemic, you are asked to contact Ms. Marilyn Wlazewski, at 610-779-5523 to make arrangements for her to meet you to drop off your project. Deadline for our receipt of the project and ALL accompanying documents is March 7, 2021. No project or information will be accepted after that date so you are reminded to contact your school early for the information you will need from them to accompany this project.

Announcement of this award will be made in late March 2021. The scholarship money will be forwarded to the student's college upon the confirmation of enrollment for the Fall semester.

POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION OF BERKS COUNTY (PAHABC) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

| APPLICANT NAME | |
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| ADDRESSS | TEL# |
| HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED | |
| DATES ATTENDED | CURRICULUM |
| I PLAN ON ATTENDING | FOR AYEAR DEGREE MAJORING IN |
| | NATIONALITY |
| | NATIONALITY |
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| E-MAIL ADDRESS | |
| WE HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALI | L OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP |
| APPLICANT SIGNATURE | DATE PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE DATE |
| TO BE COMPLETED BY CURRENT HIG | GH SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES: |
| I HEREBY RECOMMEND THE A | BOVE- NAMED APPLICANT FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP. HIS/HER CLASS STANDING |
| # OF A CLASS SIZE OF | - |
| SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL | DATE SIGNATURE OF GUIDANCE COUNSELOR DATE |