POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BERKS COUNTY, PA

2024-2025 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES (Revised October 2023)

- 1. Any Berks County (PA) High School senior of Polish American descent may apply who can provide evidence of Polish heritage.
- 2. The applicant shall be a resident of Berks County for at least four years prior to the date of application.
- 3. The application forms shall be available at each of the Berks County's high schools in care of the principal's office, their guidance counselor, from the Scholarship Secretary listed below or through our web site www.pabeberks.org.
- 4. The applications shall be completed by the applicant and be filed with the Board's Scholarship Secretary by April 1, 2024, with the following attachments:
 - A) It shall be the responsibility of THE STUDENT to ensure that all official SAT and/or ACT test scores (if available), along with their high school transcripts accompany the application.
 - B) Provide documentation from high school attending of class rank based on a 4.0 scale as opposed to a percent.
 - C) Explanation of why this scholarship should be granted.
 - D) Documentation providing evidence of Polish heritage. Acceptable documentation is deemed to be copies of birth, baptismal or marriage certificates of parents, grandparents or great-grandparents that can demonstrate such Polish ancestry. These copies should be accompanied by a hand-drawn family tree that shows such lineal heritage, DNA results through ANCESTRY or 23 AND ME.
- 5. Selection of all scholarship winners will be determined by the Scholarship Committee based upon information submitted from section (5) above. Each award and the amount shall be determined by the Board on an annual basis and shall be paid directly to the student. Receipt of Fall tuition payment must be received by the Treasurer before a check will be issued to the student. Student must be enrolled in an accredited college seeking a two or four year academic degree and must fulfill attendance consecutively.
- 6. Any applicant receiving a full tuition scholarship from any other source shall not be eligible for this scholarship. Scholarship money is not applicable to housing, books, laboratory fees or transportation.
- 7. The PABE Scholarship Awards Committee will give some preference to the children or grandchildren of active PABE members provided that the student is of Polish heritage.
- 8. STUDENT AND/OR THEIR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT TO ACCEPT THE AWARD AT THE POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS PROGRAM ON MAY 19, 2024.

Only completed documents and information will be accepted by the deadline date as stated above.

Completed applications and correspondence should be sent to:

Ms. Sandy Lubas Hummel 115 Watercress Drive Birdsboro PA 19508 610-207-7065 sahummel@ptd.net

POLISH-AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BERKS COUNTY, PA 2024 – 2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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