



SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

2016-2017 Academic Year

Applications may be submitted beginning March 1, 2016 and must be postmarked or emailed by March 31, 2016

Directions: Scholarships offered through the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio (FAO) are made possible by the generosity of donors who support the post-secondary efforts of the region's students. Please review the following steps to complete the application process.

- Step 1:** Scholarships offered through FAO have specific criteria developed by donors and FAO's Scholarship Committee. Please review the criteria set forth on the following pages to determine the appropriate scholarships for which you will apply.
- Step 2:** **Applicant Appraisals/Nominations (pages 9 & 10)** – Two appraisal/nomination forms have been attached for your convenience. You are encouraged to select a school counselor or teacher/professor; if this procedure is inappropriate, you may select an employer, member of the clergy, job supervisor, or other person who is in a position to recommend you according to the given criteria. Detach forms and deliver to your appraisers at your earliest convenience. **You are responsible for determining with the nominators how they prefer to submit the appraisals. You can collect and include with your application, or nominators can email or mail separately to the Foundation if they prefer.**
- Step 3:** **Transcript Information (page 8)** – High school seniors and students who have completed less than one full semester of post-secondary education must include an unofficial or official **high school transcript of classes and grades.**
- Step 4:** **Complete a FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and attach the Student Aid Report (SAR), or EFC, with this application. Only the page with EFC number is needed.
- Step 5:** **If any questions** are not applicable to your current situation, please provide an explanatory note referring to the questions by section. Also, you may wish to have your school counselor review your application for accuracy before submission.
- Step 6:** You are responsible for ensuring all supporting documents are submitted. **This application becomes valid only when the following have been submitted:**
- ___ Completed Application, including all required signatures
 - ___ Current, *Unofficial or Official* Transcript of Student Grades
(your name and school must be a part of the transcript)
 - ___ Two (2) Appraisals/Nominations
 - ___ Student Aid Report page with EFC number (Expected Family Contribution) from FAFSA

Please submit application and supplemental information through either of the following methods:

Option 1: Email to ewebb@ffao.org (include "Scholarship Application and STUDENT NAME" in subject line of the email). Please attach your application, transcript, and nominations (unless nominators prefer to send separately). ****Please scan and include all materials in one PDF attachment. You do not need to mail originals. All emails (applications and nominations) must be received no later than March 31, 2016.**

Option 2: Mail to FAO, P.O. Box 456, Nelsonville, OH 45764. **Applications sent by mail must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2016. Hand-deliveries to the Foundation at 35 Public Square, Nelsonville, OH will not be accepted after March 31, 2016.**

FAO SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Scholarship Application: the Foundation uses a common scholarship application for all opportunities listed below. Only one application is needed, but please check the box next to all scholarships to which you are applying and note how you meet criteria for each in the essay section.

Process: FAO annually appoints a Scholarship Committee to recommend awards. Final approval is made by the Foundation's Board of Trustees and decisions are final. FAO scholarship awards may vary from year to year in the number and amount of each award. All awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on each student's behalf, for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, textbooks, required supplies, and equipment.

Notification of Awards: All scholarship award **recipients** will be officially contacted by the Foundation no later than May 30, 2016. You may check the Foundation's website at www.AppalachianOhio.org for a complete posting of all recipients by June 30, 2016.

FAO SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The AK Steel Foundation



The **AK Steel Foundation Student Scholastic Award for Science, Technology, Math and Engineering** was established by the AK Steel Foundation to provide a permanent source of scholarship support for students pursuing studies in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, with particular emphasis on metallurgy. Scholarships are available to both traditional and non-traditional students.

Headquartered in West Chester, Ohio (Greater Cincinnati), AK Steel produces flat-rolled carbon, stainless, and electrical steels, primarily for automotive, infrastructure and manufacturing, construction and electrical power generation and distribution markets.

Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Must be a student within the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio pursuing or beginning pursuit of study in the field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics; **priority to those with specific focus of metallurgy.**
- Overall academic achievement, with a particular emphasis on high achievement and career interest in STEM fields, with a future commitment to work in Ohio.
- Demonstrate financial need.



The **Ora E. Anderson Scholarship** was established to honor Ora Eaton Anderson in memory of his lifelong contributions toward the conservation and protection of Appalachian Ohio's natural environment. Throughout his life, Anderson leveraged the perspective and passion he gained as a young reporter, documenting the development of the region's forests to create educational environmental experiences for others.

Through poems, essays, wood carvings and a variety of civic contributions, Anderson led unprecedented collaborations and inspired people from all walks of life to appreciate and care for Appalachian Ohio's landscape. Over his lifetime, Ora planted tens of thousands of trees, promoted conservation education and pursued his love of nature and the arts as an essayist, artist,

and advocate.

Ora E. Anderson Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Must be a graduating high school senior or possess a GED, and currently live and attend school within the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio.
- Plan to pursue post-secondary studies associated with the natural sciences, including but not limited to: forest and wildlife management; environmental restoration; natural and historical interpretation; ecotourism and related-disciplines associated with broadly protecting plants, animals, and the environment.
- Candidates who demonstrate overall commitment to environmental protection and conservation will be considered; ethical character, extracurricular activities, volunteerism, and financial need also evaluated.
- Academic performance will be considered, but the potential for success as evidenced by an individual's commitment, interest, and desire to achieve educational goals in the field of environmental sciences and/or conservation will be carefully considered.
- Recipients must show proof of acceptance at an accredited vocational school, college, or university.



The **Lee Beckett Legacy Scholarship Fund** annually provides scholarship opportunities for graduating Nelsonville-York seniors pursuing post-secondary studies, to ensure youth have the opportunity to continue their academic endeavors after high school. The scholarship fund is established to honor Mrs. Lee Beckett and her work to support countless students throughout her 43 years of teaching.

Beckett's first teaching position was at the then York High School, and the encouragement and support she provided students enabled them to believe in their ability to succeed. Throughout her teaching career, Mrs. Beckett went above and beyond to support the success of her students – whether assisting with scholarship applications or helping secure part-time jobs, her mentorship enabled students to realize their goals.

Lee Beckett Legacy Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Applicants must be a graduating senior of Nelsonville-York High School.
- Plan to pursue a post-secondary education, either full or part-time, at an accredited vocational or technical training program, community college, college, or university.
- Student applicants must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.00 scale.
- A personal essay demonstrating balance in life activity and community engagement – academic, extracurricular, employment, and volunteer service must be submitted.
- Scholarship recipients must agree to participate in ten hours of community service, five hours per semester (or 2.5 per quarter), during the academic year of the scholarship award. Interim reports detailing volunteer work and their post-secondary studies must be supplied to FAO (form to be provided to recipients by FAO).

The **Bellisio Foods Scholarship** was established in honor of Bellisio Foods founder, Jenò Paulucci. Bellisio Foods is the maker of food brands including Michelina's, FUSION Culinary, BUNdino's, and Howlin' Coyote. The Bellisio Foods fund awards scholarships to children and grandchildren of Bellisio Foods employees pursuing post-secondary education, including technical and trade school, community college, university, etc. Bellisio's leadership and scholarship fund encourages



economic success and access to educational opportunity.

Bellisio Foods Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Recipients shall be chosen on the basis of: character as evidenced by personal conduct, values, and attitudes and behaviors towards others; community service as evidenced by leadership, service and activities; financial need; and academic performance and potential.
- Applicants must be dependent children of a current employee in good standing for at least one year, including biological children, legally adopted children, children placed with employees for adoption, stepchildren, and any children for whom an employee is the legal guardian; grandchildren of employees, regardless of dependent status, also qualify. Employees may be at any U.S. location of Bellisio Foods.
- Candidates must be pursuing post-secondary education, full or part-time, at an accredited vocational or technical training program, community college, or four-year college in the U.S.
- Candidates must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.00 scale.
- Assistance is not intended for pursuit of advanced degrees (e.g. Master's degree).
- Dependents and grandchildren of senior executives are excluded.

Awards: Scholarship awards are determined by number of applicants.

The **Jeff Cox and Jane Schumacher Cox Scholarship** was established to provide post-secondary scholarships to students at Buckeye Trail High School and Monroe Central High School. Jeff Cox is a 1979 graduate of Buckeye Trail High School and a 1983 graduate of The Ohio State University. He completed his MBA in Finance from Wright State University in 1986. Jane Schumacher Cox is a 1981 graduate of Woodsfield High School and a 1985 graduate of The Ohio State University. Both Jeff and Jane have fond memories of their education and extracurricular activities at their respective schools, and through this scholarship fund, hope to help others pursue their dreams of higher education.

Jeff Cox and Jane Schumacher Cox Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Applicants must be graduating high school seniors currently attending school at Buckeye Trail High School or Monroe Central High School; and
 - Candidates should demonstrate outstanding character, academic excellence, and involvement with extra-curricular activities.
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The **Lester and Thelma Ellwood Scholarship** was established to encourage and support access to educational opportunities, assisting worthy graduates of Guernsey County high schools in pursuit of post-secondary education. Lester and Thelma Ellwood strongly believed in the importance of education. When the Great Depression took hold of the Cambridge area, Lester needed to leave high school to help support his family, but always knew the value of education.



Thelma graduated from high school and became Lester's partner in business as well as life. The couple operated Ellwood Orchards, Ellwood Tractor Supply, The Beverage House, and Ellwood's Food Market. When Lester passed away in 1987, Thelma established a trust fund to provide money for college scholarships for Guernsey County high school students and, after her death, the Lester and Thelma Ellwood Educational Scholarship was created.

Lester and Thelma Ellwood Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Applicants must be a current **or past** graduate of Buckeye Trail High School, Cambridge High School, Meadowbrook High School, or any other Guernsey County high school.
- Applicants must demonstrate a strong work ethic and good ethical character.
- Community service will be assessed as evidenced by leadership, service, activities & references.
- Financial need will be considered and candidates must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.00 scale.

- Assistance is not intended for pursuit of advanced degrees (e.g. Master's degree).

Amount of Ellwood Scholarship Award: Scholarship awards and amounts will vary annually, depending on availability of funds. **Previous scholarship recipients are eligible to apply for continued support**, along with those already attending an institution and/or those returning to school later in life.



The **Jennifer Garrison Public Service Scholarship** was established to encourage and support the post-secondary efforts of students with a passion for public service. Jennifer Garrison has been working to improve the lives of Southeastern Ohioans for over 20 years, and previously served in Ohio's 93rd district as State Representative. Since her time in the legislature, Jennifer has continued to serve her community, and the family established the fund to foster and support the region's future public service leaders.

Jennifer Garrison Public Service Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors from Monroe, Noble, and Washington counties.
- Applicants must have held an elected position within their school's student government and communicate a continued desire to be involved in public service.
- Preference will be given to students with a grade point average between 2.5 and 3.5.



The **Ariana R. Ulloa Memorial Scholarship** was established by family, friends, and students in 2003 to honor the memory and life's work of Ariana R. Ulloa, so she may continue to live in the hearts of all she would have touched with her love. Ariana was born in Mexico and moved to Athens in 1986. She began working for the Hocking College Department of International Programs in 1990, eventually moving into the position of Director. She was known for her kind and encouraging nature, and is affectionately remembered by many students as *Mamá Ariana*. Although she passed away in December 2002, Ariana's legacy lives on through this scholarship.

Ariana R. Ulloa Memorial Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- The scholarships are offered to international students pursuing any field of study, as well as students pursuing a degree in international studies.
- Those applying must already be accepted or enrolled full time in an accredited vocational school or 4-year college or university program; proof of enrollment is required.
- Preference will be given to those who demonstrate financial need, show academic achievement, are involved with extracurricular activities, and possess educational as well as personal life goals.
- Students must be residing or studying in one of the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio, or in Franklin, Fairfield, or Delaware counties.



The **Wayne F. White and Bob Evans Legacy Scholarship** was established by family and friends of the two, including Bob's wife, Jewel Evans (she and her husband founded the original Wayne White Scholarship), to honor the legacy and commitment these two friends had to the Appalachian Ohio region. The late Wayne White was Director of the Ohio Appalachian Center for Higher Education (OACHE) and a founding board member of the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio. The late Bob Evans, a nationally-recognized restaurateur and philanthropist, served on the Board of Regents and was instrumental in founding OACHE.



Both passionate about education and champions of Appalachian Ohio, White and Evans were committed to ensure finances were not a barrier to youth's ability to access post-secondary opportunities. White and Evans touched and inspired many with their enthusiasm, energy, and optimism. They worked to change the landscape of education, fighting for equal funding for rural schools and encouraging youth and adults to pursue higher education. Born and raised in Appalachian Ohio, both believed deeply in the academic ability and potential of the region's students to succeed, no matter the place or the purpose. The scholarship serves to help all students realize they can pursue post-secondary education, regardless of financial situation.

Wayne White and Bob Evans Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Those applying must be graduating high school seniors or possess a GED, and currently live and attend school within the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio.
- Priority to those with financial need, and a demonstrated desire to succeed and overcome obstacles, as well as candidates who show outstanding character, academic excellence, and extracurricular activities.

The **Jenny Cornelius-Woltz Memorial Scholarship** was established in 2006 to honor the life and memory of Jenny Cornelius-Woltz by providing scholarship awards to one or more deserving students graduating from John Glenn High School in Guernsey County, with a primary interest in nursing. The scholarship awards are to defray the expenses associated with attaining a post-secondary education at an accredited institution, in the field of nursing; or alternatively, within the medical professions more broadly, should no graduating seniors apply and/or qualify whose primary interest is in nursing.

Jenny Cornelius-Woltz Memorial Scholarship Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- Those applying must be graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an accredited post-secondary institution offering nursing programs, or alternatively, training within the fields of medicine.
- Priority consideration will be given to those who demonstrate financial need, ethical character, and participation in extracurricular activities; as well as potential for success as demonstrated by an individual's commitment and desire to achieve professional goals in the area of nursing or related medical fields.

SCHOOL DATA

High School Attended: _____
OR
High School Equivalent: _____

Graduation Date: (MM/YY) _____
County: _____

Post-Secondary Institution(s) for which applicant's scholarship is requested:

Option One:

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Phone

Option Two:

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Phone

Year at Post-Secondary Institution for Upcoming School Year: 1 2 3 4 5 or 6 (Graduate)

Major/Field of Study You Plan to/are Pursuing: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Estimated Cost

Tuition: \$ _____ Room & Board: \$ _____ Books/Materials: \$ _____

Based on: Quarterly Semester Annual

Please Circle

I will: Live on Campus Live off Campus Commute

I will be/am enrolled: Less than Half-Time Half-Time or More Full-Time

My status is: 2016 High School Graduate Undergraduate Graduate

FINANCIAL AID

Please list all awards and amounts, including Grants, Scholarships, and Student Loans already received for the upcoming academic year, indicating if awards are one-time or renewable:

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Please list any pending scholarships, grants and loans sought for the upcoming academic year:

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PERSONAL STATEMENTS

Please attach your typed response to the following questions. Be sure to also address how you meet the criteria for the specific scholarship(s) to which you are applying.

1. Please share how this scholarship would help you and your family, describing any personal or family challenges that have affected you, your achievement in school, work experience, or participation in school and community activities.
2. Note your plans as they relate to your future educational & career objectives and goals.
3. List all volunteer, school, community, extracurricular, arts, musical, and cultural activities you have participated in during the past four years, indicating length of participation and any special awards, honors.

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

1. High school seniors and students who have completed less than one full semester of post-secondary education must include an unofficial or official **high school transcript of classes and grades**.
 - Applicant ranks _____ in a class of _____.
 - Cumulative grade point average: _____ / 4.0 scale weighted un-weighted

Please indicate student scores below:

- **SAT** | Verbal: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite: _____
- **ACT, Standard** | English: _____ Math: _____ Scientific Reasoning: _____ Composite: _____

School Official's Name, Title (Printed)

Date

School Official's Signature (must be signed to process)

Telephone

2. **Students currently enrolled in college, community or vocational/technical school** must include recent, *unofficial or official* college or vocational/technical school transcripts of grades.

Certification: *In submitting this application, I certify the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted. My completed application includes: original application, including all required signatures; current transcript of student grades; two (2) Applicant Appraisals unless nominator preferred to email directly to Foundation; and my Student Aid Report listing my EFC from the FAFSA.*

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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