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Scholarship for Postsecondary Education - Instructions

The Wisconsin Literacy - Southeast Regional Scholarship for postsecondary education offers awards through the *Anne Marie Pawelke Scholarship Fund* and the *Nancy Fink Endowment Scholarship Fund* to **GED/HSED graduates** who plan to attend a program of study at an accredited postsecondary institution. Scholarships of \$1,000 (in two, \$500 increments) may be awarded.

Eligibility:

- 1) Applicants must have received a Wisconsin GED or HSED within the last five years and may apply by any of the following deadlines:
 - March 1
 - July 1
 - November 1
- 2) Applicants must enroll in a postsecondary program, six credits or more, in the upcoming spring or fall semester. The first \$500 award will be provided upon receipt of enrollment verification. The second \$500 award will be provided upon receipt of enrollment verification for the second semester and upon successful completion (all classes passed with a minimum 2.5 GPA) of the first semester.

Requirements:

For your application to be considered, it must include all of the following:

1. Personal Data (page 3)
2. Background Questionnaire (page 3)
3. In about 300 words, **type** an essay in **English** that explains (1) why you returned to complete your GED/HSED, (2) why you should receive a scholarship, and (3) any challenges you overcame.
4. Two letters of recommendation from two different types of agencies or companies. These must be typewritten by individuals well-acquainted with the applicant, such as an instructor, clergy, employer or social worker. Letters should address the following: (1) the capacity in which you have known the applicant, (2) why you feel the applicant should be considered for the scholarship, and (3) why s/he will be successful in higher education.
5. Proof of completion of GED/HSED. Proof must be one of the following: transcript, diploma or official testing center documentation completed by the Chief Examiner. No application will be considered without appropriate documentation of completion.
6. If applicant has completed some college credits, provide proof of completion (i.e. college transcript or copies of grade reports).



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Applications will be reviewed by a panel of three. Finalists may be invited to an oral interview. Professional appearance will be considered.

✓ Application Checklist:

Returned applications must include the following:

- Personal Data (page 3) _____
- Background Questionnaire (pages 3 & 4) _____
- Typed Essay written in English (attach a print out, if mailed) _____
- Two Letters of Recommendation (sent with application or
emailed to: WLSEscholarship@gmail.com) _____
- Proof of GED/HSED Completion _____
- If applicable, college transcripts or grade reports _____

If you have questions, contact Marsha Connet at (262) 930-3465 or marsha@wisconsinliteracy.org.

Scholarship applications are also available electronically www.wisconsinliteracy.org.

Send completed application to:

Wisconsin Literacy-Southeast
Attn: Scholarship
734 Lake Avenue
Racine, WI 53403

Emailed applications should be submitted to: WLSEscholarship@gmail.com



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All correspondence becomes the property of Wisconsin Literacy and will not be returned to applicants. By signing, you agree that Wisconsin Literacy may use photographs of and information about you for any type of media.

(Applicant's Signature) (Date)

Personal Data

Name: _____ SS#: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please provide the names and contact information of those persons providing letters of recommendation.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title/Organization</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Email Address</i>
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1. _____

2. _____

Background Questionnaire

Please answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. Where did you study for your GED or HSED (school/program)? _____

2. What school do you plan to attend? _____

3. What is your planned course of study (major)? _____

4. Have you applied to this school for admission (circle one)? YES NO

5. If you are currently enrolled, how many credits have you earned to date? _____
(If enrolled, submit transcript or copies of grade report.)

6. What is your long-term goal? _____



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7. Employment History (Begin with most recent)

Employer	Title/Duties	Dates

8. Have you have done any volunteer work in the last five years (i.e. helping at a school, neighborhood projects, church activities, etc.)? YES NO
If so, please describe what you did and for how long.

Organization	Title/Duties	Dates

Include the following attachments:

1. Typed essay in English.
2. Two letters of recommendation.
3. Proof of GED or HSED completion.
4. If applicable, college transcripts or grade reports.