



PENNSYLVANIA HEAD START ASSOCIATION

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PHSA Head Start Alumni Scholarship, High School Senior

The PHSA Head Start Alumni Scholarship winner will receive \$1,000 check to be used for their post -secondary education. These funds may be applied to the documented cost of tuition, and or books.

Award Specific Criteria:

The nominee must have attended Head Start/Early Head Start program for one or more years **AND** be scheduled to graduate from High School and submit proof of acceptance or enrollment in an institution of higher learning.

Submission Checklist:

Please check to confirm that all required materials are attached and send to your local Head Start center:

- _____ Completed application form
- _____ Proof of acceptance or enrollment in an institution of higher learning
- _____ Two (2) letters of reference (One from school contact and one from volunteer contact.)
- _____ Personal Statement (biographical sketch, special contributions and educational goals)
- _____ Signature of Head Start Director (on Nomination Form)

Submission Documents:

1. The nominee must submit a **nomination form** from their Local Head Start program. (See attached form.)
2. The nominee must submit **two letters of reference**, including one from an individual who knows the nominee as a student (school personnel preferred) and one from an individual who knows the nominee as a member of or volunteer in the community. (maximum 20 points)

3. Personal Statement:

Nominees must provide a written personal statement that includes all 3 of the following elements. Points allotted for each element appear below:

- a. Biographical Sketch: Key details about the nominee and his/her family, connection to Head Start and current education environment. (maximum 20 points)
- b. Special contributions: Describe activities contributed by the student to the local program or community as volunteer. (maximum 30 points)
- c. Education goals: Write a statement of personal goals no more than 200 words in length. (maximum 30 points)

All completed applications are due to PHSA (Attention Scholarship Committee) by fax or scan **by Wednesday, 13 March 2019 or post-marked by Friday, March 8, 2019** (see PHSA address.) Honorees will be recognized at the PHSA Conference on April 12, 2019 at the Penn Stater.



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PHSA Head Start Alumni Scholarship Application Form Nominee's

Name _____

Nominee's Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Institution of Higher Education the Nominee is enrolled in or has been accepted to:

Field of Study _____

Name of Local Head Start Program _____

Program's Mailing Address _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Head Start Director: _____

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Head Start Program to complete and submit with Nominee's application:

Applicant Name: _____

Head Start Program Name: _____

Program's Mailing Address _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Program Phone Number: _____

Name of Head Start Director: _____

Is the program a paid member of PHSA for current year? ___ Yes ___ No

Head Start Director Signature

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