



Professional Educators of Iowa SCHOLARSHIPS 2017

Professional Educators of Iowa is pleased to announce the Association and Foundation scholarship program for 2017 with over \$5,000 available. Established to create an ongoing network of educational awareness for Iowans, the PEI Foundation supports worthwhile academic endeavors by awarding student and teacher scholarships.

ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Association scholarships are specifically designed with members and their families in mind.

PEI PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD - One \$500 Award

This award is to honor educators who exemplify the essence of professionalism. Nominees can be recommended by administrators, peers, or parents. **Contact the PEI office for an application.**

CHILD OF PEI MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP - Five \$100 Awards

This scholarship will be awarded to a PEI member's child who will graduate from high school during the 2016-2017 school year. If you have a child who plans to further his/her education in a program leading to a two or four year certificate or degree, please let us know. Upon receipt of your child's high school transcript, your child's name will be entered into the drawing. The award will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution of choice upon successful completion of the first semester.

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS*

STUDENT AWARDS

TEACHER OF TOMORROW - One \$500 Award

This scholarship is for any Iowa high school senior aspiring to teach and will be awarded on the basis of the student's career goal as an educator, academic record, accomplishments and community involvement. Interested students should submit: an official transcript, a letter of recommendation from a teacher, an essay explaining why you want to be a teacher, and a bio on accomplishments and community service. The award will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution of choice upon the successful completion of the first semester.

ED CHRISTIAN MEMORIAL - One \$100 Scholarship

This scholarship has been created to assist a high school senior student who is pursuing a career in a scientific field in either a two or four year college or university. Requirements include: an official high school transcript, a letter of recommendation, list the career field of science pursuing, describe personal goals in the scientific world and qualifications that contribute to eligibility for being awarded this scholarship. The award will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution of choice upon the successful completion of the first semester.

EDUCATIONAL PERSISTENCE - One \$500 Scholarship

This scholarship requires a recommendation by a PEI member for a student to receive a \$500 award. The student must be pursuing an education degree. There must be a one page narrative about how to improve education in their major area along with a transcript. The award will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution of attendance upon successful completion of the following semester. This unique award is for both high school seniors and students currently enrolled as education majors.

LOCAL PEI CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS - Twelve \$150 Awards

Local chapters with their own scholarship fund and selection process may receive \$150 to boost their dollar amount for their school. The scholarship must be given publicly at an assembly or awards ceremony and presented by a local PEI member. It should go toward local guidelines which will be on file with the PEI office. Preferred criteria will include character, need, occupational pursuit, and public service. Ties will be determined by drawing.

TEACHER AWARDS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - Five \$200 Awards

Apply now! PEIF is offering up to 5 professional development scholarships for educators worth up to \$200 each! These scholarships are intended to help classroom teachers expand their professional skills and knowledge in areas of interest to them. The scholarships may be used to offset the costs for graduate courses, or to pay for registration for workshops and conferences.

To apply for a Professional Development Scholarship, please submit a concise, detailed narrative describing the activity, conference, course, or workshop that you wish to attend. Be certain to describe in careful detail the direct benefits that you expect this opportunity to bring your students, your classroom, and/or your teacher colleagues (especially if you will be conducting teacher training later with the knowledge that you receive.)

Final recipients will be reimbursed directly for up to \$200 in approved expenses documented within one year after receipt of the award. Copies of certificates or letters of accomplishment and verifiable expenses will need to be submitted.

ASSOCIATE AWARDS

TEACHER ASSOCIATE OF THE YEAR - One \$200 Awards

Nominate *your* associate! This award is a stipend for those individuals who have generously assisted in the classrooms. The recipients will also receive a one year complimentary membership in PEI which includes the \$2,000,000 liability coverage. To nominate an associate, submit a detailing of their commitment, love of children, and any other pertinent information. You may include letters from other educators and letters from parents. Please include information about yourself and why your associate deserves this award.

***The following rules apply: Foundation scholarships are available to all Iowa students or educators regardless of affiliation.**

All recipients will be featured in the PEI newsletter. Transcripts and other required documentation as well as a current photo suitable for publication must be received before monetary awards are given. Recipients must wait four years to apply for another award or scholarship.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2017