REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY and APPLICATION

Eligibility is limited to students graduating from high schools in school districts having one or more local PTA units.

Applications for the Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship program are mailed to counselors of all public schools in districts having one or more local PTA units. Applications are available on the Ohio PTA web site (www.ohiopta.org) Forms are not mailed to individual graduates. Applications may be reproduced by the school for distribution to their graduates.

Principals, counselors, directors of special education and directors of technical/vocational education are requested to encourage seniors with the desire for continuing their education to apply.

All applications must be filed with:

Ohio PTA 40 Northwoods Blvd. Ste. A Columbus, Ohio 43235



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Students enrolled in a four year academic degree program may apply for a *\$500.00 academic scholarship*.

TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP

Students enrolled in a two or three year approved technical, vocational, and associate degree program may apply for a \$500.00 technical scholarship.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Special education students (Identified with a current IEP-Individual Education Plan) entering approved technical, vocational, associate degree or a four year academic program may apply for this \$500.00 scholarship.

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SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING and ORIGIN

The Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship Fund was started with an original grant of \$10,000.00 which the Ohio PTA Board of Directors allocated to this purpose. To date it has provided scholarships 13,649 nearly amounting to over \$845,895.00 in scholarship money. The major portion of the fund is contributed voluntarily by local PTA units and councils and other interested groups or individuals. No matter how small, all contributions make it possible for more scholarships to be given each year.

The Ohio PTA Achievement Award was initiated by the Ohio PTA in 1952 to provide funding for scholarships through the sale of these special awards. All proceeds are directed to the Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship Fund.

LOCAL PTA UNITS AND COUNCILS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

It is the responsibility of each local PTA/PTSA unit and council to encourage high school counselors and principals to make students aware of the availability of the scholarships available through the Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship program. Applications must reach the Ohio PTA office by March 1. Local PTA/PTSA units and councils should contact each high school at the beginning of January to assure they have received the application and encourage participation.

PTA/PTSA units and councils also have the opportunity to contribute to funds to the Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship program. By contributing the full amount of an Academic or Technical Scholarship (\$500.00), a PTA/ PTSA may designate the recipient qualifying criteria. (Example: former student from a particular PTA elementary school, etc.)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Contributions of full academic or technical scholarships may be designated, as explained earlier in the brochure. If there is no applicant with such a background, the Ohio PTA Scholarship Committee may select another applicant from the same high school given permission to do so.

Certificates will be mailed directly to the local PTA/PTSA unit or council contributing the scholarship(s) on or before May 1 for presentation to the recipients.

Upon the student's verification of enrollment the scholarship recipient is issued a check before September 30th. Checks are sent to the student.

Questions regarding the Ohio PTA Memorial Scholarship may be directed to the state Director of Education by calling (614)781-6344.