

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS - GRAND DOMAIN OF INDIANA
PYTHIANS ONLY EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Must be a senior in any high school or home school in **Indiana**, A Freshman, Sophomore or Junior in any accredited College or University. You **MUST** be a **RESIDENT** of Indiana.
- 2) Must have a grade point average of **B (3.0)** or above when in high school or in college. (copy of transcripts required and **MUST** accompany application). Transcript **MUST** include grade point average and, if available, rank in class. If you are a graduating Senior, the transcript must be from your high school. If you are in college it must be a copy of your **current records** from your college. If you are a graduate from high school but just starting school after being out of school for a while, your transcript needs to be from your high school. These may be the original transcripts or duplicate copies. If the 4.0 grading scale is **NOT** used, the applicant **MUST** enclose a copy of the grading scale being used to establish the GPA.
- 3) Applicant must be registered in accredited college or university with proof of registration prior to disbursement of funds.
- 4) The application must be postmarked on or before January 25, 2023 to be eligible!
NONE will be accepted after this date!
- 5) Applicant must submit the attached application. We suggest the application be computer scanned or computer re-created into a word document to increase size of answer areas. **HAND WRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT be accepted and will be immediately discarded! DO NOT use cursive writing on any of the application!!**
- 6) Applicant **MUST** include a short typed essay (600 words or less) about your **GOALS AFTER GRADUATING** from college. (Attach separate sheet)
- 7) Applicant **MUST** include a short typed essay (600 words or less) regarding your need of financial help. (Attach separate sheet)
- 8) To be eligible for a Pythian Family Scholarship, the applicant **MUST** be a resident of Indiana and one of the following:
 - A member of the Knights of Pythias or Pythian Sisters in Indiana in good standing.
 - A wife or husband of a Pythian
 - A child of a Pythian
 - A Grandchild of a Pythian

NOTE THIS RULE! The Pythian affiliation **must** be a current member in good standing in a Lodge or Temple in **Indiana** or under the jurisdiction thereof.

9) The selection committee annually discards 30% of the applications received for NOT including the essays and transcript! Don't become a statistic! Good Luck!

SELECTION:

1) Selection of Educational Assistance Program winners will be by a committee appointed by the Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Indiana. It is hoped that all Pythian applicants who meet the required criteria will receive a scholarship. If proper funding is not available from the Grand Lodge, the committee will decide upon the recipients based upon the greatest need.

AWARD:

1) An award of \$1,000 for college expenses, such as books, room & board, tuition, etc. will be distributed directly to the college or university office by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana in the name of the student. Disbursements **WILL NOT** be made directly to the student - **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If the student withdraws from school before said funds are used, they shall be returned to the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana.

2) All winners will be notified by the chairman by telephone or e-mail by May 1, 2023. Please **DO NOT** call the chairman for results. If you desire a copy of the winners, they will be posted on www.knightsofpythiasofnewcastle.com and indianapythias.org following the selection process.

3) Pythians are eligible for this scholarship for FOUR YEARS as long as the 3.0 "B" average is maintained. It is the responsibility of the applicant to re-apply EACH year just as if they were a new applicant.

4) All Awardees will be required to submit their school ID number, final school decision, etc prior to the check being disbursed.

5) Postage due entries will be refused and returned to the sender.

6) Certified mail, overnight mail and other costly mailings are unnecessary! As long as you have a POSTMARK of January 25th, 2023 or earlier, your mailing is ok.