

GRAND CHAPTER OF RHODE ISLAND

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP REGULATIONS 2023

Education Scholarship assistance can be given to applicants who have a State of Rhode Island Eastern Star or Masonic relationship, or those who were or are a member in good standing of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls or the Order of DeMolay in Rhode Island.

Scholarship applicants must have completed their freshman year in a four/five-year program or the first semester in a two year program to be considered for a scholarship. Post-graduate students must complete an Education Scholarship application and fulfill all requirements as set forth in the Educational Scholarship Regulations 2023. Each applicant is required to give the detailed information requested on the application with proper signatures attached. When completed the applicant must forward the application to the Education Committee of the Grand Chapter at the address provided on the cover letter.

Only applicants with a **GPA of 2.50 or higher** will be considered for a scholarship.

All applications with all supporting documentation must be received on or before **midnight, May 15, 2023**, to be considered. Email applications are encouraged but not required.

Applicants for Education Scholarships, regardless of year attending, must have the following attachments:

- (1) Completed application form
- (2) An unofficial transcript of grades or a copy of the most recent semester report
- (3) A typed, double-spaced essay responding to the prompt given
- (4) A copy of the tuition bill issued by the bursar of the college/university/vocational school attending.

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The Committee reserves full right of decision on scholarship qualifications based on scholastic performance, need of financial assistance, and other pertinent information provided by the student. Awards may be variable in an amount determined by the Education and ESTARL Committee on the basis of fund availability, number of applicants, academic performance, and financial need of the individual. Awards, when granted, will be paid directly to the applicant to be used for books, tuition, board, or other school related expenses.

The Order of the Eastern Star does not discriminate in the administration of granting these awards on the basis of age, gender, race, color, national or ethnic origin, or religious belief. The data and correspondence relating to scholarship applications and their consideration, favorable or unfavorable, is strictly confidential and will be so regarded by all concerned.