

NEW HAVEN MANAGEMENT AND PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT UNION

LOCAL 3144, COUNCIL 4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO

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The James Brown/Lucille Struwas Scholarship

The annual union scholarship was developed to assist current Union Local 3144 members with the cost of higher education for their children. The following information and application should be read and filled out completely to be eligible for consideration of an award.

Scholarship Application Instructions

Eligibility

Applications are accepted from any Local 3144 member's (in good standing) son or daughter, foster son/daughter, adopted son/daughter or step-son/daughter. (proof may be required).

All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than **Friday, May 10th** to be considered eligible.

Applications are available to eligible candidates that are graduating high school seniors.

All applicants must have at least a **2.0** GPA.

All applicants must be accepted into an institution of higher education or university, community college, vocational/technical or business school for the upcoming year. Proof of acceptance is required to receive an award.

Judging Criteria

All applications that are complete and signed will be judged by the committee on the following criteria:

1. Student's scholastic record
2. Student's Essay 500 words **minimum** essay address one of the following topics. If the chooses, he/she can develop more than one of the topics into one essay. This combined topic essay has a recommended **minimum** word requirement of **at least** 700 words. Essay cannot be plagiarized. It must be in the student's own words with works cited if needed.
3. Student's community and work experience
4. Student's other achievements

All applications that are received completed and on-time will receive be considered for an award.

**** In the event of a tie, the essay will be the deciding factor**

TOPICS

1. What is your opinion of today's union movement to protect the rights of the working class citizen regardless whether they are private on non private workers?
2. The impact of "union busting" that has occurred in the past; as well as, today.
3. To what degree has your union parent(s) Influenced any opinion (negative/positive) you may have of unions and the involvement in such organization?
4. Do you believe that union affiliates should endorse one political candidate over another whether on the local, state or federal level? If so, why? If not, why not?
5. The effect current legislation has or had on the working class?
6. Have you seen or noticed the union movement benefit your community? If so, how?

Requirements

Application
2 letters of recommendation
Essay (Must be typed)
Official transcript
Proof of acceptance into higher learning program
Copy of SAT or ACT scores
Awardees may be required to have their picture taken receiving the awards

Instructions

Applicant's name should appear on all items submitted
All documents should be typewritten or neatly handwritten
All judging will be by Scholarship Committee members
All applicants will be notified by mail of their selection and award amount
Applications not accepted will be notified also
Selections will be completed by **May 31st**.
Awards will be presented at a future date and time to be determined by the committee.
Awardees will be contacted prior to that date.
Awards shall be determined as follows:

All awards will be voted on by the committee and approved by the Union President.

Two applicants will be awarded with one check for \$1,000.00 each. Checks will be disbursed upon the Union receiving a certificate of full-time enrollment from the college or university. All awards will be selected according to the criteria above.

Applications should be submitted to a committee member for processing, but can be mailed to AFSCME Local 3144, Scholarship Committee, PO Box 1748, New Haven, CT 06507-1748.

Scholarship Committee Members 2019-2020
Linda Hannans, Board of Education, Chairperson
Tomi Veale, Youth Department
Thomas Costa, New Haven Free Public Library
Jose Romero, Building Department
Katherine Ovalle LaTorre, Engineering

The union is not responsible for lost, misdirected, damaged or otherwise illegible submissions. No phone calls will be accepted to check the status of or information given regarding applications until the final list is developed.

By signing and submitting an application, the applicant agrees that their information will be reviewed by committee members, and their pictures and/or award amount may be used in a publication or newsletter. Awardees may also be asked to attend a special meeting or promotional event regarding their award. Personal information contained on the application is for the purpose of this award only and will not be disclosed, sold or used in any manner by any other persons. All information will be kept confidential.