



Daughters of Penelope District #5 Scholarships

New Jersey ~ Delaware

Date: January 17, 2024

To: All DOP District 5 Chapter Presidents and Secretaries
From: Valerie Vitas, District 5 Scholarship Chairman
Subject: 2024 DOP District 5 Scholarship Application

Dear Chapter Presidents and Secretaries of the 5th District,

I would like to announce that it is time to start publicizing the District 5 Scholarships for 2023. This year we will be awarding two (2) scholarships in the amount of \$1500 to graduating high school seniors and one (1) \$1000 scholarship to an enrolled college or university undergraduate student. Please note previous college award recipients are not eligible to reapply for scholarship, as the award is once in a lifetime. Enclosed is a copy of the fillable application.

The application must be completed in full including all signatures. The deadline for submission is postmarked by April 15, 2024. The Scholarship Committee will not consider incomplete applications and applications post-marked after the deadline.

Just a friendly reminder that chapters must have paid all current year's District Obligations by the March 31, 2024 otherwise the applicant will be disqualified.

The eligible applicant must be:

- a high school graduate or an enrolled college undergraduate student,
- High School recipient must be single upon application
- the child of a Daughter of Penelope of District 5 who is
 - in good standing
 - a member of the Daughters of Penelope a minimum of two (2) years and must attend at least two meetings per calendar year
 - or of a deceased member who was in good standing at the time of her demise
- a member of the Maids of Athena a minimum of two (2) years, in good standing
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Please share this information with your chapter members, should you have any further questions or need assistance please notify me. The 2024 Fillable Scholarship Application is also available on the DOP District 5 Website under the Foundation Menu tab:

<http://www.dopdistrict5.org/>

Sincerely,

Valerie Vitas, Scholarship Chairman
Daughters of Penelope District 5 Scholarships
Email: valv@optonline.net
Mobile Phone: 973-432-3425



Daughters of Penelope
District #5 ~ New Jersey & Delaware
High School Graduate and College Award
2024 Scholarship Application

Revised January 2024

Scholarship Awards Eligibility and Qualifications

1. Recipient must be a graduating high school senior or a college undergraduate student enrolled in an accredited college/university, who is a child of a Daughter of Penelope of District 5 in good standing and a member at least two years, and must attend at least two meetings per calendar year to be considered a Daughter of Penelope in good standing or of a deceased member who was in good standing at the time of her demise, or has been a Maid of Athena in good standing and a member at least two years.
2. All information asked on application form must be completed including all signatures.
3. The application forms will be mailed in January to the Chapters and the deadline for the applications is April 15th. Applications postmarked after the deadline will not be considered by the Scholarship Committee. The application and a fillable PDF Application will also be available on the DOP District #5 website.
4. High School recipient must be single upon application.
5. Extracurricular activities will play a part in his or her rating.
6. The scholarship will be awarded according to merit without regard to other scholarships the applicant may receive.
7. Documents required to be submitted with this application:

High School Senior

Documents required to be submitted with this application:

- ☐ The Applicant must be a graduating High School Senior, applying for admission to an accredited college/university
- ☐ Official School Transcripts from the Registrar's office from High School attended, including applicants most recent grades and results of the CEEB (SAT) test and/or Achievement test of ACPT (ACT) test, if applicable
OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT is defined as a signed and sealed record produced by your school's Registrar. It can be included in your packet and/or sent directly from your school to the Chair by regular mail. Note: Opened transcripts, not in an official signed and sealed envelope, are invalid and unofficial and will not be accepted.
- ☐ Write an essay typed or handwritten briefly state your goals and purpose for attending college. Attach to scholarship application.
- ☐ One letter of recommendation from a faculty member and one letter of recommendation from the principal or guidance counselor
- ☐ Signed and Dated Application (by applicant only)

College Student

Documents required to be submitted with this application:

- ☐ Applicant must be an undergraduate student currently enrolled in an accredited college/university.
- ☐ Official School Transcript from the Registrar's office of all college(s) attended.
OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT is defined as a signed and sealed record produced by your school's Registrar. It can be included in your packet and/or sent directly from your school to the Chair by regular mail. Note: Opened transcripts, not in an official signed and sealed envelope, are invalid and unofficial and will not be accepted.
- ☐ One letter of recommendation with character reference.
- ☐ Write an essay typed or handwritten briefly state your goals and purpose for attending college. Attach to scholarship application.
- ☐ Signed and Dated Application (by the applicant only).
Note: **Please note previous college award recipients are not eligible to reapply for scholarship**, as the award is once in a lifetime.

8. Recipients will receive: a. \$1,500 for two (2) high school seniors
b. \$1,000 to an enrolled college undergraduate student

Applications and accompanying materials MUST be postmarked no later than April 15th and sent to the Scholarship Chairman: Valerie Vittas, Scholarship Chairman Email: valv@optonline.net Phone: 973-432-3425
31 Longport Road
Wayne, NJ 07470

Applicant is currently attending ☐ High School ☐ College

Tell Us About Yourself

All Fields are required

Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY)

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Home Address:

City:

State:

Zip / Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

Grade completed:

Name of current school attending:

Father's Name in Full or Legal Guardian's Name in Full:

Mother's Name in Full or Legal Guardian's Name:

Mother's Maiden Name:

What school do you hope to attend or what college are you currently attending:

1.

2.

3.

4.

List extra-curricular activities and any awards of scholastic honors (please type on additional paper if required):

1.

2.

3.

4.

List community activities and special recognition received (please type on additional paper if required):

1.

2.

3.

4.

Chapter Verification

To be completed and verified by your local Daughter of Penelope chapter's President and Secretary:

We are pleased to recommend (name of applicant):	As a candidate for any (select one): <input type="checkbox"/> High School Award <input type="checkbox"/> College Award
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We hereby certify that

Full Name of Mother	Membership # if known	# of years as a Member in good standing (dues paid):
Chapter Name:	Chapter#	Chapter City & State:
		<input type="checkbox"/> If mother is deceased please check box

CHAPTER PRESIDENT – Full Name:	Signature:
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Daytime Telephone:	Home Address:
City:	State: Zip Code:

CHAPTER SECRETARY – Full Name:	Signature:
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Daytime Telephone:	Home Address:
City:	State: Zip Code:

APPLICANT SIGNATURE (Must be signed by APPLICANT or be subject to disqualification)

In applying for this scholarship and signing below, I acknowledge and agree that all scholarship awards will be paid directly to the recipient's educational institution.

Applicant's Signature (MUST be the signature of the Applicant)	Date:
X	

Deadline

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Mail to: Valerie Vittas, Scholarship Chairman
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Wayne, NJ 07470

Questions? Phone: 973-432-3425 Email: valv@optonline.net

The Scholarship Chairman will notify all Scholarship recipients with the final decision.

All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the scholarship recipient's educational institution.
The Scholarship Chairman will direct scholarship recipient's as to the requirements for **Proof of Enrollment**.