



**Central Kentucky Branch
of
American Public Works Association**

2026 Academic Award Program

Please select the appropriate application for your submittal

The following packet includes both applications:

- **College Application, open to freshmen & sophomores**
- **High School Application, open to seniors**



Central Kentucky Branch of American Public Works Association

Academic Award Program (College)

AWARDS

The awards will be presented by the Central Branch/Kentucky Chapter/APWA (CB/KC/APWA) to eligible applicants completing their freshmen or sophomore year of college during the Spring of the award year.

PURPOSE

The purpose is to increase understanding and appreciation of the variety of services public works agencies provide. Therefore, the Kentucky Central Branch of APWA offers an opportunity for any applicant to apply for a scholarship. Please visit APWA.net for information about the APWA and public works agencies and services. Award applicants must meet one of the following criteria:

- A. Be a college freshman or sophomore who, at the time of application, is registered for college classes with the intent to pursue a degree in public works-related field including Civil Engineering, Transportation, Surveying, Planning, Public Administration, Environmental Engineering or other related fields as approved by the Board of Directors.

SCOPE

Applicants must complete and submit the academic award application by April 17, 2026, for notification of award by June 1, 2026. Awards are presented on a one-year basis. **The annual maximum individual award is \$1,500** and is determined annually by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors annually sets both the amount and number of awards.

OPERATION/STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

- A. Applications in digital PDF format from interested individuals will be emailed to the Scholarship committee as outlined in "Remittance".
- B. Applicant must have a home or permanent address in one of the following Central Branch Kentucky Counties: Bullitt, Hardin, Henry, Jefferson, Larue, Meade, Nelson, Oldham, Shelby, or Spencer.
- C. Selection Criteria for award recipients will be based on the following guidelines:

1. Extracurricular & Volunteer Activities, Employment
2. Honors
3. Personal Narrative
4. Essay
5. Character References

- D. At the conclusion of the selection process, all applicants will be contacted and the person(s) who will receive the awards will be informed.
- E. No later than two weeks prior to the start of the fall term, the Academic Award committee will mail a check to each recipient to assist in payment of tuition, books, or fees for that school term. The maximum individual scholarship amount will be \$1,500.
- F. Recipients of awards from the Kentucky Central Branch of APWA may accept scholarships from other sources.
- G. The Kentucky Central Branch of APWA does not assume any responsibility for the conduct, personal affairs or debts of the award recipients or applicants and shall not be liable, therefore, in any manner.
- H. The student must remain a qualified student in good standing for the school being attended.

REMIT APPLICATION in a single compiled digital PDF file format on or prior to April 17, 2026, to:

Nelson Little, Central Branch Chair
E-Mail: nelson.little@louisvillemsd.org

and

Karen Scott, Central Branch Treasurer
E-mail: karen@inspiredstrategiesllc.com



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Academic Award Application Form (College)

The awards will be provided by the Central Branch, Kentucky Chapter of the American Public Works Association (CB/KY/APWA).

Awards will be made in consideration of scholastic, extracurricular and volunteer activities, record of employment, honors, personal narrative, essay, references, and on the content and appearance of the application.

Applications must be submitted via email no later than April 17, 2026, as indicated in the REMIT Section. The digital file must be submitted as a single compiled PDF file format.

(Late Applications will not be considered.)

PART A: Biographical Data (Information must be complete to be considered.)

Student's Full Name: _____

Home Address in KY Including Zip Code: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ (Will be used only for contacting applicant, not for solicitation.)

Phone: _____ Central Branch County of Residence: _____

College: _____ Freshmen _____ Circle One _____ Sophomore _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Class Ranking: _____

College Field of Study College: _____

PART B:

SAT and/or ACT Test(s), include score(s) in the spaces provided.

SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____

PART C:

Please attach a brief summary of your activities and work experience; include school, community, church, etc. List any positions of responsibility held and any honors you received. (Attach extra pages if needed.)

PART D:

Please attach a letter of recommendation from one of the following sources: a teacher/professor, school counselor or administrator, professor, instructor, or supervisor in a work environment.

PART E:

Please attach a brief statement describing your reason for applying for this scholarship award and a brief written statement which includes your plans for the future, your career and life goals. Include why the field of public works is important to you, your hometown, and/or to our country. (Please demonstrate knowledge of the Public Works field and how your intended field of study can contribute to the diverse field of Public Works.)

PART F:

Please attach a 1000–1500-word essay, single-spaced with 1” margins in 12pt., Times Roman Font, on the subject of:

“How Does Public Works Support My Community”

I declare that all information reported herein is true, correct, and complete.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____



Central Kentucky Branch of American Public Works Association

Academic Award Program (High School)

AWARDS

The awards will be presented by the Central Branch/Kentucky Chapter/APWA (CB/KC/APWA) each year to eligible applicants completing their senior year of high school during the Spring of the award year.

PURPOSE

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- A. Be a high school senior or GED eligible who, at the time of application, has or will apply to a college, university, or vocational school with the intent to pursue a degree in public works-related field including Civil Engineering, Transportation, Surveying, Planning, Public Administration, Environmental Engineering or other related fields as approved by the Board of Directors.

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High School: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

High School Grade Point Average: _____

Class Ranking: _____ In a Class of; _____

Intended Field of College, University or Vocational Study: _____

Or

G.E.D. Certificate (Attach Digital Copy)

PART B:

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