

AFSCME 1624

FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



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Applicant,

On behalf of AFSCME 1624, I am delighted to extend our gratitude for your interest in the Family Scholarship Program. It is heartening to see your commitment to furthering your education and investing in your future.

The Family Scholarship Program represents more than just financial support for your academic endeavors; it symbolizes a collective dedication to paying it forward, investing in our future generation, and honoring the families of our members. As a union, we recognize the importance of education not only for personal growth but also for the advancement of our communities and the betterment of society as a whole.

We believe that by providing our members with this scholarship opportunity, we are not just investing in your individual success but also contributing to the prosperity of our entire community. Your achievements will serve as a testament to the power of determination and hard work, inspiring others to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

Furthermore, we encourage you to remember the values of solidarity and support that underpin our union. As you embark on your academic journey, we urge you to consider how you can give back to your community and support those who may face similar challenges along the way. Whether through mentorship, volunteerism, or advocating for positive change, each of us has the ability to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

We trust that you will carry forth these principles with pride and integrity, embodying the spirit of service and solidarity that defines our union.

Adelante,

Pedro Villalobos
AFSCME 1624 President

INSTRUCTIONS

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NOTE: The AFSCME Family Scholarship is for graduating high school seniors only.

1. Complete the applicant section on page 4 of this form.
2. Have your parent, legal guardian, or financial responsible grandparent complete the section at the bottom of page 4 of this form.
3. Include a certified copy of your high school transcript. The high school transcript must include senior grades.
4. *Optional:* Include a high school resume. Your resume may include, but is not limited to: activities/extracurriculars you participated in, any leadership positions you have held, any honors you received, any employment you have or have held, etc.
5. Please make sure your complete application and all support documentation are mailed together in one envelope, **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2024**, to:

AFSCME 1624
Attn: Family Scholarship Program
1812 Center Creek Dr., Suite #310
Austin, TX 78754

6. Applicants **must** participate in an interview during May 2024. Applicants will be notified of the time and place of these interviews shortly after the May 15, 2024 deadline.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

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(Please print in black ink or type.)

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT:

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Date of Birth _____ Graduation Date _____

What colleges, universities, or trade programs have you been accepted to or applied to:

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE GRANDPARENT WHO IS A AFSCME 1624 MEMBER:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ City or County Employee: _____

In exchange for consideration and selection as a scholarship recipient, I acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions regarding the AFSCME 1624 Scholarship Program: I acknowledge that the decision made by the AFSCME 1624 regarding the selection of scholarship recipients is final and binding for all applicants. I am aware that AFSCME 1624 reserves the right, without prior notice or explanation, to terminate, cancel, or discontinue the Family Scholarship Program. Furthermore, in the event that I am chosen as a scholarship recipient, I agree to adhere to all rules and regulations outlined by AFSCME 1624. Additionally, I grant AFSCME 1624 permission to publish my name, photograph, and any other information provided as part of my scholarship application. I understand that all information submitted as part of the Family Scholarship application process become the property of AFSCME 1624. AFSCME 1624 retains the right to reprint, in whole or in part, along with accompanying photographs and application information, on the AFSCME 1624 website or in other union publications. Moreover, AFSCME 1624 may also choose to reprint, describe, or excerpt these materials in other publications, or assign such rights to third parties. By affixing my signature below, I confirm my agreement to these terms and conditions.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

The AFSCME 1624 Family Scholarship Program is an ongoing program of scholarships available to children and financially-dependent grandchildren of full dues-paying AFSCME members. Five (5) scholarships of \$1,500 each are awarded annually to the winners selected from applicants who meet eligibility requirements.

To be eligible for a scholarship the student must:

- Be a graduating high school senior who is the child of a full dues-paying AFSCME member or whose legal guardian or financially-responsible grandparent is a full dues-paying AFSCME member;
- At the time the scholarship is disbursed, be enrolled into a full-time degree program either at an accredited four-year institution, a two-year institution that will transfer credits to a four-year institution, or an accredited trade program;

The scholarship may be used for any field of study.

Of the scholarships granted, one will be reserved for applicants to an accredited trade school. If there are no trade school applicants, then it will be available for another university or college applicant.

Only one (1) applicant per family will be selected.

The scholarship will be disbursed to the awardees upon proof of enrollment in the fall semester of the year the award is granted.

AFSCME 1624 will announce the scholarship awardees by **June 15, 2024**. Every applicant will be notified in writing, via email, of the outcome of the selection process.

The Scholarship Selection Committee is comprised of AFSCME 1624 members, staff, and executive board members. The committee will thoroughly examine all the application materials submitted by each scholarship applicant. Additionally, the committee will consider the applicant's interview. The committee will write a report and make a recommendation of scholarship awardees to the AFSCME 1624 Executive Board. The AFSCME 1624 Executive Board will vote to adopt the committee's report and recommendation.

The decision of the AFSCME 1624 Executive Board is final.