



PbS Learning Institute

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The Performance-based Standards Scholarship Fund

*(Deadline: Application Entry MUST be postmarked on or by **May 1, 2016**)*

What is it?

The PbS scholarship fund established to inspire, encourage and guide select college students and correctional staff in paying for their post-secondary education. This year's scholarship fund has \$6,000 available for youths and staff in PbS facilities.

Who is eligible?

In order to qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must meet ALL of the following criteria:

Youths:

- Must be a current or former resident of a PbS state or county youth facility or program.
- Must be a junior or senior in high school or graduate currently attending (or plan to attend) an accredited post-secondary school (college, university, trade school, or certificate program).

Staff:

- Staff must be currently employed by a PbS state or county youth agency, facility or program.
- Must be attending, or planning to attend, a post-secondary institution or training school.

How do I apply?

1. Complete the PbS Scholarship application form, including documentation and/or verification of acceptance into educational program
2. Write a one-page essay describing how the scholarship will be used to further your education and "pay it forward." What you'll learn that you can share with others to make a difference in their lives.
3. Mail the completed application packet to:

The PbS Scholarship Fund
639 Granite Street, Suite 112
Braintree, MA 02184
Attn: Darlene Conroy



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OR

Send the application by e-mail to darlene.conroy@cjca.net. Please use "Scholarship Application" as the subject.

Applications can be scanned and the essays may be submitted with the application via Microsoft Word.

4. Applications **MUST** be postmarked (or e-mailed) on or by **May 1, 2016**
5. The winners will be notified via mail and e-mail in **July 2016**.

What else do I need to know?

1. The winner will be selected by a committee of Fund members, based on the applicant's eligibility and the essay's ability to tell the story of how the money will help the winning individual use the new skills or education to help others in the future – pay it forward.
2. The scholarship **MUST** be used on valid school-related expenses. These include, but are not limited to, tuition, fees, books, or supplies.
3. Applications can request funds up to \$2,000.
4. The student **MUST** provide proof of attendance at an accredited post-secondary institution, and must provide proof of fees incurred before being awarded the scholarship monies.
5. If, for any reason, the winner is deemed to be ineligible for the scholarship, for reasons that include, but are not limited to – failure to attend an accredited post-secondary institution, not meeting the eligibility requirements for the scholarship, or misrepresentation of intended major or career plans – will have the rights to the scholarship revoked, and any monies paid must be returned to the scholarship fund immediately.
6. If you have any questions regarding eligibility or the application process, e-mail: Darlene.conroy@cjca.net