



## The Performance-based Standards Scholarship Fund

### What is it?

The PbS Scholarship Fund was established to inspire, encourage and guide select college students and correctional staff in paying for their post-secondary education. The 2018 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 planning 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 will you learn that you can share with others to make a difference in their lives?
3. Submit the application via mail, email or on the PbS website:
  - Option 1: Mail the completed application packet to:  
The PbS Scholarship Fund  
639 Granite Street, Suite 112  
Braintree, MA 02184  
Attn: PbS Help Desk





- Option 2: Send the application by email to [help@pbstandards.org](mailto:help@pbstandards.org).
    - Please use “Scholarship Application” as the subject.
    - Applications can be scanned and the essays may be submitted as separate documents.
  - Option 3: Submit the application online by going to <http://pbstandards.org/awards/scholarship> and clicking “Apply Now.”
4. Applications MUST be postmarked (or submitted) on or by **May 1, 2018**.
  5. The winners will be notified via mail and email in **July 2018**.

### 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. Applicants 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 –the rights to the scholarship will be 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, email: [help@pbstandards.org](mailto:help@pbstandards.org)

