

Les Best Scholarship Fund



This annual fund grants educational financial-assistance scholarships to active, dues-paying OCSEA members, their dependent children and spouses. This year, a total of **\$12,000 in scholarships** will be awarded!



Les Best Scholarships are awarded in three categories:

Dependents' College/Vocational Scholarship

For undergraduate students entering or already enrolled full-time in a college or university; or students entering or enrolled in a full-time vocational, trade or technical school or union apprenticeship. **Four \$2,000** scholarships OR **three \$2,000** scholarships and **two \$1,000** scholarships.*

*Distribution amounts determined by an independent panel of judges.

Members' College Scholarship

For active members who are full-time or part-time undergraduate students, or who will begin classes in the fall; either **two \$1,000** scholarships OR **four \$500** scholarships.*

Spouses' College Scholarship

For active members' spouses who are full-time or part-time undergraduate students, or who will begin classes in the fall; either **two \$1,000** scholarships OR **four \$500** scholarships.*

How To Apply

Applications are available online at ocsea.org/lesbest. Completed applications, essays and supporting materials can be emailed to scholarship@ocsea.org or returned by mail to:

OCSEA Les Best Scholarship Fund

390 Worthington Rd. Ste. A • Westerville, Ohio 43082

The deadline for all materials is **April 30**. Required materials include:

- The Les Best Scholarship application, completed and signed.
- An official copy of the **applicant's acceptance letter** to a union apprenticeship program, vocational school or an accredited college or university for undergraduate studies.
- A 500-1,000 word essay on a new topic each year.
- An official **high school transcript** or an official college transcript, whichever is applicable. (Only required for the Dependent College/Vocational scholarship).
- The results of the applicant's **Scholastic Aptitude Test or American College Test** (*Graduating high school seniors only. Not applicable for students enrolling in vocational, trade or technical schools*).
- The **academic/professional reference form** completed and signed.
- The application period begins **Jan. 1** of each year.