

***Hancock County Firefighters Association***  
***Potts/Parcher Memorial Scholarship***

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- This scholarship will be awarded to a student of a Hancock County School Senior Class, or a member of a Hancock County Fire Department, or a Hancock County EMS service, or a Hancock County Law Enforcement Agency who will be attending a college or technical school to further their education in the field of Fire Science, Emergency Medical Care or Law Enforcement.
- To apply for this scholarship, the student must complete the application in full, return it to the Hancock County Firefighters Association secretary marked “Attention: Scholarship Committee”. This may be delivered directly or through the local Fire Department Chief, EMS Chief, or Law Enforcement Chief Officer.
- All applications will be reviewed by the scholarship committee and the Potts/Parcher Memorial Scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$500.00 per scholarship.
- All applications must be turned in and postmarked on or before April 1 of the current year.
- The Potts/Parcher Memorial Scholarship will be presented at a Hancock County Firefighters Association meeting in June of the current year or at the student’s high school recognition program.

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General Scholarship Guidelines

1. Applicant may be any student of a Hancock County High School senior class, a member of a Hancock County Fire Department or a Hancock County EMS Service or a Hancock County Law Enforcement Agency who will be attending a college or technical school to further their education in the field of Fire Science or Emergency Medical Care or Law Enforcement.
2. Students with a 2.5 GPA must file an application that must be postmarked on or before April 1 of the current year to the Hancock County Firefighters Association's Secretary and marked "Attention Scholarship Committee"
3. ACT and/or SAT scores may be considered.
4. The Scholarship will be in the form of an award certificate to the Financial Aid Office of an accredited college, university or technical school at which the student is enrolled.
5. The following criteria will make up a complete application:
  - a. A complete transcript of grades, class rank, grade point average, ACT and/or SAT scores, and attendance records for grades 9 through to the date of application.
  - b. A complete resume, detailing school, extra-curricular activities, and work experiences.
  - c. A written statement of purpose to include not less than 500 words explaining by the student the importance of continuing their post-secondary education and why they have applied for this Scholarship.
  - d. A comprehensive letter of recommendation from one educator who can describe why the student has the qualities to be selected for this Scholarship including but not limited to character, personality, work habits, scholarship, and dependability.
  - e. Two letters of endorsement from responsible persons, not related to the applicant, who have been involved closely with the growth and development of the applicant and who can give a worthwhile opinion of the student's worthiness for this Scholarship.
  - f. A completed Student Scholarship Budget Form, detailing the estimated expenses for their education, their personal earnings and savings, and contributions from parents or guardians.
6. The application must be turned into the Hancock County Firefighters Association's Secretary marked "Attention Scholarship Committee" and postmarked on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
7. The Hancock County Firefighters Association – Potts/Parcher Memorial Scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$500.00 per scholarship, with the total number of scholarships awarded each voted on by the members of the Hancock County Firefighters Association.

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**Student Evaluation Form**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

To the evaluator:

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The student selected for this scholarship will be one whose work ethics and leadership qualities sets them apart from their peers, someone who demonstrates a high level of character and integrity and someone who is active in their community.

Give evidence of this student's characteristics (character, integrity, work ethics, leadership potential, intellectual promise, potential for success in post-secondary endeavors, etc.), particularly those which differentiate them from their peers. Please feel free to include incidents in which the applicant has demonstrated the characteristics described.

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**Letter of Recommendation**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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The student selected may also be a person, who without this scholarship, might not be able to continue their education for financial reasons. Please state your reasons for recommending this student for this particular award, citing (where applicable) how this student demonstrates those characteristics which sets them apart from other students you have encountered in your career.

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**Student Scholarship Budget Estimate**

| <b><u>Expense Items</u></b> | <b><u>Budget Amount</u></b> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Tuition & Fees              | \$ _____                    |
| Room                        | \$ _____                    |
| Board                       | \$ _____                    |
| Lab Fees                    | \$ _____                    |
| Books                       | \$ _____                    |
| Transportation              | \$ _____                    |
| Clothing & Laundry          | \$ _____                    |
| Personal Items              | \$ _____                    |
| Recreation & Miscellaneous  | \$ _____                    |
| TOTAL                       | \$ _____                    |

| <b><u>Income Items</u></b>     | <b><u>Budget Amount</u></b> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Net earnings towards education | \$ _____                    |
| Savings towards education      | \$ _____                    |
| Scholarships or Grants         | \$ _____                    |
| Loans                          | \$ _____                    |
| Aid from Parents or Guardians  | \$ _____                    |
| TOTAL                          | \$ _____                    |

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SECRETARY  
P.O. BOX 921  
FINDLAY, OH. 45839-0921

**APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP**

**Entire application packet must be submitted and postmarked on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.**  
**Forms must be delivered to HCFFA Secretary marked "Attention Scholarship Committee".**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE:(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK TELEPHONE(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

PARENTS NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

FIELD OF INTEREST: FIRE SCIENCE \_\_\_\_\_ EMS \_\_\_\_\_ LAW ENFORCEMENT \_\_\_\_\_

SAT SCORES: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT SCORES: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 COLLEGE 1 2 3 4

REASON FOR CHOOSING FIELD OF INTEREST.: \_\_\_\_\_

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YOUR PLANS UPON COMPLETION OF EDUCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE WHAT YOUR INFLUENCE ON YOUR CHOSEN CAREER MIGHT BE: \_\_\_\_\_

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HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY?      \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

**APPLICANT MUST READ AND SIGN**

I certify that I have read and understood all of this application. It is agreed and understood that the HCFFA or their agent may investigate my background to ascertain any and all information of concern and I release other persons from all liability for furnishing such information. I agree to submit additional information and complete such interviews as may be required to complete my application file. If application is approved, I agree to abide by all the rules and policies of this scholarship. This certifies that this application was completed by me and that all information in it is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

HCFFA USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_