



Collegiate
(For current and continuing College Students)



Nebraska Press Association Foundation, Inc.
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Guidelines of the Nebraska Press Association Scholarship Program
Sponsored by the Nebraska Press Association Foundation
& Member Newspapers of the Nebraska Press Association

1. It is proposed to award \$2,000 scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year to qualified graduates of Nebraska high schools enrolled in post-secondary educational programs in Nebraska-based colleges and universities leading to careers in print journalism. Each year the Foundation Board will decide the number of scholarships based on monies available.
2. Eligible to apply are 2012-2013 college/university students who graduated high school in prior years and who are now enrolled in Nebraska colleges and universities. Enrollment must be on a full-time basis. The recipient must use and enroll no later than the start of the third semester after the awarding of the scholarship.
3. The Nebraska-based educational institution involved must offer a curriculum which provides the necessary education so a student graduating from the program is qualified for at least an entry level position in print journalism.
4. Preference in awarding the scholarships will be given to students with a specific interest in news, editorial, photography, circulation, production, or advertising careers on weekly, semi-weekly, or daily newspapers.
5. Selection of the recipients will be based on scholastic ability and good citizenship in school. The decision of the NPA Foundation Scholarship Committee is final and not subject to review.
6. A letter of reference from the applicant's community newspaper publisher or editor may accompany the application, but this is not a requirement in order to be considered. A statement from a college counselor is required.
7. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the college or university upon satisfactory completion of the first semester and proof of second semester enrollment. Unused scholarships must come to Foundation Board for decision to renew and to see if rules have been met.
8. The application form must be filled out by the applicant and mailed or emailed to the NPA Foundation Scholarship Committee, c/o Nebraska Press Association, 845 “S” Street, Lincoln, NE 68508 or nebpress@nebpress.com. Applications must be in the hands of the committee no later than February 24, 2012. Announcement of the scholarship awards will be made at the noon luncheon of the Nebraska Press Association Annual Convention, April 14, 2012, at the Holiday Inn in Lincoln, Nebraska.
9. Answers to questions about the scholarship program should be directed to Katie Pelster, Nebraska Press Association, 845 “S” Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, nebpress@nebpress.com (402) 476-2851 or 1-800-369-2850.



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**Application for a \$2,000 Nebraska Press Association
Foundation Scholarship (College)**

*****Each application must be mailed with at least one letter of reference.*****

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____M _____F

College/University where scholarship would be used: _____

Family Information:

Parent's Names: _____

Addresses: _____

Occupations: _____ By whom employed? _____

If this application is accepted by the Nebraska Press Association and a scholarship is awarded, the undersigned hereby agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the NPA Foundation regarding the use of scholarships.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

Application deadline: February 24, 2012

The Applicant must write an essay on the topic: “Why should I receive this scholarship?”
The essay should be attached to this application.

Letter of Recommendation:

A letter of recommendation on behalf of the student, written by an unrelated party should be attached to this form.

Regarding your education up to this time: What subjects have interested you most? _____

Approximate grade point average: _____

Collegiate Activities and Leadership Role: Define positive citizenship and give two specific examples of how you have demonstrated good citizenship at the collegiate level: _____

If available, submit samples of Print Journalism product, work or writing.

Application deadline: February 24, 2012