



2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Portage Health Foundation (PHF) has a scholarship program for students graduating from the below-listed high schools in Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw, and Ontonagon counties. PHF will award one (1) \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior (AY 2016/17) from each school. The scholarship is a one-time award. PHF's intention is that recipients use the scholarship to help pay for education costs at a post-secondary school of their choosing. The successful recipient will meet the below-referenced criteria and their principal and/or school counselor(s) will nominate them to PHF who will anonymously review the finalist applications to make an award decision. Please note that this scholarship award is separate from the PHF "Making a Difference Scholarship" program administered by Michigan Tech University.

Eligible Schools:

- Baraga Area H.S.
- L'Anse H.S.
- Calumet-Laurium-Keweenaw H.S.
- Chassell H.S.
- Dollar Bay-Tamarack City H.S.
- Hancock Central H.S.
- Houghton H.S.
- Jeffers H.S.
- Lake Linden-Hubbell H.S.
- Ewen-Trout Creek H.S.
- Ontonagon Area Junior/Senior H.S.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The student must graduate during the 2016-2017 academic year (5th year seniors, such as students in early college programs, are eligible to apply);
- The student must have at least a 2.5 GPA;
- The student must demonstrate current interest in health-related fields of study or be active or demonstrate past activity in HOSA-Future Health Professionals;
- The student must be accepted for admission to a post-secondary institution (proof of acceptance must be shown – however, if the student has not received notification of acceptance, they must attach evidence that they have applied to a school and indicate when they anticipate receiving notification from that school);
- The student must be intending to seek a post-secondary degree or certification in a health-related field of study;
- The student must demonstrate engagement in school and/or community activities; and
- The student must write a cover letter and accompanying essay in support of their application.

Important Dates:

- The student must submit a completed application to their principal or school counselor's office by 3:00 p.m. on **February 20, 2017**. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- The principal or school counselor must notify PHF of the school's two nominees for the scholarship and provide a copy of the students' applications and accompanying documents by **March 3, 2017**. Materials may be sent to:

PHFoundation
ATTN: Scholarships
400 Quincy St. – PO Box 299
Hancock, MI 49930

- The PHF Fund Development Committee will anonymously review the finalist applications and make the award selections. PHF will mail award letters on or before **March 31, 2017**.



2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

A form-fillable application may be downloaded at www.phfgive.org/request-grants.php

Date: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian/Other: _____

High School: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

School(s) Accepted for Admission (must include proof of acceptance – if you have not received a notification of acceptance, please submit proof that you have applied to a school and indicate when you anticipate hearing from that school):

Intended Area of Study: _____

Intended Degree/Certification: _____

Are you currently active in HOSA? Yes No Years active in HOSA: _____

Please list any health-related coursework you have studied with corresponding dates:

Please list any health-oriented volunteer work you have participated in with corresponding dates:

Please list your extracurricular activities (within and/or outside of school) with corresponding dates:



2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – CONTINUED

Students, please prepare a one-page cover letter that addresses the following questions:

- Why do you want to continue your education;
- What do you hope to accomplish academically while continuing your education;
- How do you hope to use your education once you have completed your training; and
- How does your ongoing education relate to the Portage Health Foundation’s mission:

“To support the charitable health needs of the community through enhanced philanthropy and community collaboration.”

In addition to the cover letter, please prepare a one-page essay that answers the following question:

- What problem do you want to solve?

Students must submit completed applications to their principal or school counselor’s office no later than 3:00 p.m. on **February 20, 2017**. Incomplete applications will not be considered.



STUDENT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Fill out application (page 2)
- Attach your cover letter and essay
- Attach proof of your acceptance to a post-secondary institution (if you have not received notification of your acceptance, please submit proof that you have applied to a school and indicate when you anticipate hearing from that school)
- Submit completed application to your principal or school counselor's office by 3:00 p.m. on **February 20, 2017**