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**Public Works Contractors Association of Maryland, Inc.**  
**Scholarship Application and Eligibility Requirements**  
**(TRADE SCHOOL/1<sup>st</sup> YEAR COLLEGE STUDENT APPLICATION)**

**Who may apply?**

Any current vocational/trade school or college student, whose parent(s), legal guardian, or grandparent is employed by a member of PWCA. The applicant must already be a full or part time student in an academic institution of higher education, continuing in the Summer or Fall of 2026. The applicant must have at least one semester of grades from trade/vocational school or college. This scholarship is not available to current high school students. The enrollment may be in any curriculum for any number of years. This may be a four-year college, community college or trade school anywhere in the United States. The amount of the scholarship is \$2,500.00 and it is a one-time award.

**How do I apply?**

Complete the application forms in accordance with the instructions and send to the PWCA office at the above-referenced address.

**How will the application be judged?**

Selections will be based on the general worthiness of the application. The PWCA Committee will consider academics, extra-curricular activities, goals, etc. The committee may also, at its discretion, consider need-based or special circumstances. Applications are assigned a number upon receipt with the first page of identifying information separated and sealed until the scholarship committee has reviewed the essays and the final selection is made. Only the winning number will be disclosed to identify the award recipient. In the event there is a tie for the winner, the committee will decide by reviewing the winners' applications only. The committee will rescore and select one winner.

**What must accompany the application?**

Applications are assigned a number upon receipt with the first page of identifying information separated and sealed until the scholarship committee has reviewed and the final selection is made. Only the winning number will be disclosed to identify the award

recipient. All applications must be returned along with a transcript of high school grades through the most current period in college or vocational/trade school.

### **How can I obtain information?**

If you have any questions or need clarification of any details, contact the Executive Director, Dwight Hanawalt at [Office@pwcamd.com](mailto:Office@pwcamd.com).

### **When must I apply?**

All applications must be received in the PWCA office post marked/Google Time Stamped no later than March 13th, 2026. The award winner will be notified no later than March 31st 2026, and will be recognized in person at our yearly auction on that date at the Blue Dolphin in Crofton MD on April 9th. All decisions are final and payment will be made to the institution of choice. The PWCA Scholarship Committee will consider special circumstances/need; but the Committee will not make its determination solely on this option. Any reference to the applicant's name, sex, race, religion, or address will be removed prior to being presented to the scholarship committee.