

P.E.O. SCHOLARSHIP

P.E.O. is a philanthropic and educational organization interested in bringing to women increased opportunities for higher education. It was founded as a college sorority at Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, in 1869. The sisterhood later voted to retain its English letters and its off-campus chapters, thus changing from a college group to a community group.

P.E.O. maintains five educational philanthropies: The P.E.O. Educational Fund, a loan fund established in 1907; Cottey Junior College for women, a fully accredited liberal arts college in Nevada, Missouri; International Peace Scholarship Fund, established in 1949 to provide scholarships for foreign students to study in the United States and Canada; Program for Continuing Education, established in 1973 to provide grants to women in the U.S. and Canada to finish their higher education; P.E.O. Scholar Award, established in 1991 is awarded to women with a 3.2 GPA or above, who are pursuing a post graduate degree.

Our local P.E.O. chapter established this scholarship program in 1981 to help senior girls from McCall-Donnelly High School reach their higher education goals. It was changed in 1994 to include senior girls from Cascade High School and Meadows Valley High School. Our members raise all money for the scholarships locally.

WHO CAN APPLY

- * All senior girls from area high schools who have a GPA of 3.0 or above.
- * Senior girls planning to continue their education beyond high school in an accredited institution of academic higher education, certification, licensing or training.

AMOUNT AND USE

1. The amount of the scholarship varies from year to year.
2. Payment will be made directly to the institution upon written notification of the student's enrollment.
3. One half of the total scholarship will be applied to the Fall semester and the other half to the Spring semester.
4. This scholarship will be null and void if not utilized within the following school year.

WHERE TO APPLY

Send resume, letters of reference, and essays to:

McCall-Donnelly High School Counseling Center	or	Meadows Valley High School	or	Cascade High School
401 N. Mission Street		PO Drawer F		PO Box 291
McCall, Idaho 83638		New Meadows, ID 83654		Cascade, ID 83611

DEADLINE AND PROCEDURES FOR MAKING APPLICATION

On or before the Local Scholarship Deadline, in the year the scholarship is given.

1. All applicants must submit a resume:
 - A. Personal data (background, interests, hobbies, work, volunteer, etc.)
 - B. Activities, sports, clubs/organizations participated in and awards received during the past four years.
 - C. Future educational and career plans.
2. Submit a transcript and a copy of your second semester courses.
3. The following letters of reference are required:
 - A. A letter of reference from a High School staff member.
 - B. A letter of reference from a past/current employer or a letter of reference from a member of the Community.
4. Write a short essay (5-8 sentences) **describing an experience or your thoughts on the activities, sports, or clubs/organizations you are particularly proud or how they have impacted your life in a positive way.**
5. Write an essay on the following topic:
What woman either past or present do you think has contributed something significant to or made an impact on society? Explain the contribution or impact and how it has affected you.
(Essay should be 1 to 2 pages)

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee will consist of a committee chair and three members of Chapter BQ. The committee members will review all applications; make their report to the committee chair and the chapter at large. The P.E.O. President or her representative will award the scholarship(s) at the annual assembly.