

The Ronald J. Diver Memorial Scholarship

Overview

The Southwest Region Executive Committee of the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) is comprised of school board members who take pride in providing support to students. The region proudly grants a \$1,000 scholarship annually through the **Ronald J. Diver Memorial Scholarship**. All high school seniors in Southwest Ohio whose school district is a member of OSBA and who has chosen to continue their education in either a traditional postsecondary college or university or postsecondary technical school is eligible for the scholarship. The recipients are invited guests at the region's annual **spring conference** in **March** where special recognition is provided to the recipients, district and board members.

Selection criteria

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior currently enrolled in a school district in the Southwest Region of the Ohio School Boards Association and have plans to continue their education in either a traditional postsecondary college or university or postsecondary technical school.
2. Applicant must have a grade point average (GPA) in the upper 50% of the class.
3. Applicant must demonstrate potential as an educational leader demonstrating professional competence, community involvement, and evidence of good moral character.

Selection process

1. Applicants will email their application for consideration **by Dec. 1** to mewing@ohioschoolboards.org
2. The region scholarship award committee will review complete applications and forward selections to the OSBA Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors. Recipients will be contacted in writing in February.
3. To receive the award recipients must provide (1) a current course schedule with the students name and institution included, and (2) receipts for purchases of educational supplies or books. The award will be mailed to the student's home directly after providing the required documents. Funds may be accessed in increments until the total award is expended.

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Deadline: Dec. 1

Submission requirements

1. A one-page essay describing your future plans and intended major, including the postsecondary college, university or technical school you plan to attend.
2. A minimum of two letters of recommendation. One must be from an academic teacher and one must be from a community member. Please note: Coaches and counselors are eligible only for *additional* support unless they have served in an academic capacity.
3. A listing of your participation in leadership positions, extracurricular activities and volunteer and community involvement.
4. A current transcript. This can be a copy; does not need to be an original.

The applications must be submitted in a **single pdf** with the applicants name on **each** item and emailed to: mewing@ohioschoolboards.org with **Ronald J. Diver Memorial Scholarship** in the *Subject Line*.

All contact information below is required. Application may be duplicated as needed.

Contact information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Cellphone _____ Email _____

School name _____

District _____ County _____

School address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

Counselor _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Principal _____

Phone _____ Email _____

GPA _____ Class rank _____

Anticipated area of study: _____

Anticipated college, university or technical school _____

I attest that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided here is true and accurate.

Signature _____ Date _____

Email completed application and materials by **Dec. 1** to Southwest Regional Manager Mark Ewing at mewing@ohioschoolboards.org

If you have questions, please contact Mark Ewing at mewing@ohioschoolboards.org or (614) 540-4000.