

APPLICATION AND QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR THE
LOCAL 342 SAFETY, EDUCATION, CULTURAL & ACTIVITIES FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

Plan participants and their eligible dependents may now apply for the scholarships awarded by the Local 342 Safety, Education, Cultural & Activities (SECA) Fund. The number of scholarships awarded depends on the number of students applying in any given year.

Generally, on an annual basis, the Fund awards scholarships in various amounts up to \$10,000 based on total scholarship money available in any given year. The awards are made based on academic merit criteria (for example, academic grade point average, SAT/ACT score, extra-curricular activities, recommendations, scholarship, other recognition of achievement, etc.)

Who is eligible?

Plan participants and their eligible dependents who will be entering their first (freshmen) year during the time period of July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 at (i) an institution of higher learning (such as a college, university or other school) accredited by an Institutional Accrediting Agency recognized by the United States Department of Education; or (ii) a vocational and/or technical school that is accredited by an Institutional Accrediting Agency recognized by the United States Department of Education. Eligibility is based on employment with a contributing employer for a continuous period of one (1) year or more dating backwards from August 2025.

How to apply?

Send this application to:

Local 342 Scholarship Committee

166 East Jericho Turnpike

Mineola, NY 11501

Application Date?

The application, questionnaire, and all other attachments must be returned no later than April 30, 2025.

APPLICATION:

Student's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Member Name: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

Member's Social Security Number: _____

Phone Number: _____ Job Phone Number: _____

Relationship to Union Member: _____

Student's Signature: _____

QUESTIONNAIRE:

1) What school(s) have you been accepted for admission to? _____

2) What scholarships, if any, have you been awarded? _____

3) Please list and describe any extracurricular activities you are presently involved in (feel free to attach additional pages as necessary)? _____

4) Do you now hold, or have you ever held, any leadership positions in (3) above (e.g., Team Captain, Club President, etc.?). If yes, please explain the duties you held in your leadership position (attach additional pages as necessary):? _____

- 5) Do you now, or have you ever engaged in volunteer work? If yes, please explain the nature of the volunteer work, for whom it was engaged in for, and when you engaged in the volunteer work (attach additional pages as necessary). _____

- 6) Have you received any academic honors (i.e. National Honor Society, Dean's List, AP Scholar, etc?). If yes, please list each award and the date it was received. _____

- 7) Have you ever participated in an Academic Competition (i.e. Mathletes, Science fair, Quiz Bowl, Writing Contest). If yes, please describe each and provide results if available. _____

8) Personal Statement: On a separate sheet of paper, please provide a personal statement (no more than 1000 words please) explaining your academic interests and career goals, and how this scholarship will help you achieve these goals; alternatively, select a significant historical event in the labor movement and write about its influence on your education and career aspirations.

9) Please provide copies of the following documents and attach to this application.

Only documents received with this application will be considered

- a. Copy of High School Transcript dated no earlier than January 31 of this year. The transcript should list all of the courses you have taken in High School as well as class rank
- b. Copies of score reports for SAT, ACT, SAT II subject tests that you want to be considered **(you do not need to send them through the College Board, please just provide a copy).**
- c. Any other standardized test and/or subject specific competency exam that you have completed and want to be considered
- d. Letters of Recommendation (Maximum of 5).
- e. If you are not the member, proof that you are a dependent
 - i. Are you a child of the member? Submit a Birth Certificate (or adoption records, if applicable).
 - ii. Are you the spouse of the member? Submit your Marriage Certificate
 - iii. Are you the domestic partner of the member? The Fund will follow up for additional proof.