

**Mechanical Contractors Association  
of Western Pennsylvania, Inc.**



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To: Guidance Counselors  
Date: April 1, 2024  
From: Rege Claus, Executive Director  
Re: **Scholarship Opportunity**

Enclosed please find information on a scholarship opportunity for your graduating seniors. Please post this Scholarship opportunity for your students.

The enclosed program guideline explains the rules and requirements for the scholarships. Enclosed is an application form and copies of the application form are acceptable. Requirements include living in Western Pennsylvania, enrolling in a plumbing, HVAC, mechanical engineering, *or other construction related field* (see attached program guidelines).

**Four (4) \$1,000.00 Scholarship scholarships will be awarded this year.**

**Completed entries must be post-marked by May 21, 2024.**

Thank you for your cooperation!

Sincerely,

Rege Claus  
Executive Director

# **Mechanical Contractors Association of Western Pennsylvania Foster McCarl, Jr. Scholarship Program Guidelines**

The MCA of Western Pennsylvania will recognize **four (4) outstanding students** by awarding each a scholarship. The **program winners will each receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship** a total of **four (4) scholarships will be awarded**. Recipients are well rounded individuals with deep interest and involvement in their communities. They spend time volunteering, have excellent academic performance, and are leaders in their schools through involvement in athletics, clubs, extra curricular activities and student government. They are the leaders of tomorrow.

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in a two or four year program at an accredited college, university or Technical College for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in a Plumbing, HVAC, Mechanical Engineering, Construction/Project Management, Architecture, or other Construction related major.
3. Applicants must currently be a resident of one of the following counties in Pennsylvania: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Greene, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Venango, Warren, or Washington.
4. Scholarships are competitive and will be based upon:
  - a. A written essay, 500 words or less, on how Mechanical Contracting has improved the quality of life in Western Pennsylvania.
  - b. Academic standing of the student, notable academic awards and achievement.
  - c. Extracurricular activities, Volunteer activities, and Leadership.
  - d. Character reference.
5. Completed applications must be postmarked by **May 21, 2024** to be eligible for scholarships.
6. The Scholarship Committee will select 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place finalists. The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> place recipients will be deemed alternates. If for any reason the first through 4<sup>th</sup> place recipients become ineligible, then the alternates, according to finish, shall advance to receive the scholarship.
7. MCA of Western Pennsylvania reserves the right to disqualify entries not meeting the above criteria and reserves the right to change, revise or cancel the Scholarship awards after its announced intent to do so. The MCA of Western Pennsylvania reserves the right to waive any and all informalities in the award process.

**Transcript request due to counseling office 2 weeks before deadline:  
Click here or visit the High School Counseling webpage**

**Mechanical Contractors Association of Western Pennsylvania  
Foster McCarl, Jr.  
2024 Scholarship Program Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY**

Parent(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) and age(s) of siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

If any are attending college, list school and years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION**

High School, Vocational School, College	City	Year	Major
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

A. List any achievements, honors, awards you have won:

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B. List any sports or extracurricular activities you participate in:

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C. List any volunteer activities or hobbies:

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**COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

Name of School you have been accepted into or are enrolled in:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES**

List people who can speak of your character, community involvement, personality, and social life. Do not list relatives. Please include your high school counselor as one of your references.

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS	PHONE
1. _____			
2. _____			
3. _____			

**EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

COMPANY NAME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF WORK	LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT
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**Enclose the following additional information with your application:**

- Complete transcript of your grades (high school and post secondary)
- Current resume
- Acceptance letter from the Dean of Admissions of the School you plan on attending
- Attach a recent photograph
- SAT and/or ACT scores
- An essay, 500 words or less, on how Mechanical Contracting has improved the quality of life in Western Pennsylvania

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please be sure to answer all questions and that all required additional information is enclosed.  
**Mail your completed application postmarked by May 21, 2024 to:**

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
Mechanical Contractors Association  
Of Western Pennsylvania  
5131 Cypress Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15224