

Dennis O'Dowd Scholarship Fund – Rules and Information

1. Only sons and daughters of active, *full dues paying, active/working* Members of Iron Workers Local 25 who are in their senior year of high school are eligible to compete for the Scholarship.
2. Applicants must be a child, stepchild or adopted child of a member. The child's parent who is an active, *full dues paying, working* Member must have a *minimum of five years continuous* membership to be eligible. Applicants of Retired Members are not eligible to apply.
3. If the child's parent who is a member is disabled or deceased, then such parent must have had a minimum of five years continuous membership immediately prior to their disability or death in order to be eligible.
4. Scholarship awards are competitive and will be based on the following factors:
 - a. Academic standing of the student during his / her 4 years in high school;
 - b. Minimum GPA of 3.0 (Grade Point Average);
 - c. College entrance examination scores (SAT or ACT);
 - d. Extracurricular activities and leadership; and
 - e. Character reference and citizenship.
5. A scholarship winner may attend any accredited college or university of his or her choice in the United States or Canada and must be enrolled in a full-time program leading toward a degree.
6. Scholarships shall be awarded for one year; **and are not renewable**. The monetary award will be made payable to; and will also be mailed to; the college or university of the selected applicant's choice, after which time they have been accepted for admission. Scholarship monies will be awarded in the first semester only (freshman year), and applied to educational expenses first. Failure to accept the scholarship at the time it is awarded will necessitate choosing an alternate and the originally awarded applicant loses his/her scholarship.
7. In judging scholarship applications, the Selection Committee shall select alternates. Such alternates shall be eligible in order of selection for scholarships in the event that one or more of the applicants should be unable to accept a scholarship award at the time of initial selection.
8. All requests for an application packet must be made to the Scholarship Fund by the deadline of **Friday, March 29th, 2019**. All completed applications and supporting materials must be sent to the Scholarship Fund Selection Committee; **Deadline is Tues. April 30, 2019. No exceptions.**
9. The completed application and supporting materials should be mailed to:
 - a. Dennis O'Dowd Scholarship Fund Inc.
c/o The Selection Committee
P.O. Box 965
Novi, MI 48376-0965
10. **It is the responsibility of the student** to follow up with their school to be sure the application and **all** supporting material has been sent on a timely basis. The Selection Committee will not place phone calls to applicant or their school in order to acquire (possible) missing paperwork.