



## **NEPA PRIDE PROJECT'S ARTS IN ACTION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**100 Quarry Road, Laurel Run, PA 18706**

**NEPAPrideProject@gmail.com**

Greetings NEPA School District Guidance Counselors, Mentors and Student Scholars,

The mission of the NEPA Pride Scholarship Program is to “*Celebrate, Educate and Demonstrate*” the importance of community and commitment to arts. It is through fundraising efforts from private community members, businesses and organizations; we are pleased to offer multiple \$1,000 college scholarships to qualified high school senior(s). It is our objective to provide financial opportunities to the selected seniors entering post high school educational opportunities majoring in any aspects of the arts (i.e. performing arts, vocal, instrument, painting, drawing, sculpture, etc.)

**ALL interested high school seniors (meeting the enclosed criteria) are encouraged to apply.** We have included a copy of the scholarship application and recommendation forms. Completed applications must be received by email or mailed no later than **FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024**. If you have any question, we encourage you to contact the Scholarship Committee via email [NEPAPrideproject@gmail.com](mailto:NEPAPrideproject@gmail.com).

### **SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must be a resident in the Northeast Region of Pennsylvania (NEPA)
- GPA of 2.8 or higher (on 4.0 scale) or equivalent
- Must be admitted to a college/university on a full-time basis majoring in any aspect of the arts (i.e. performing arts, vocal, instrument, painting, drawing, sculpture, etc.)
- Submit a sample of portfolio work (optional)
- Participation in phone/in-person interview (finalist only) with committee members

### **REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS FOR SUBMISSION: - must be received no later than Friday, March 29, 2024.**

- Scholarship Application – completed by student applicant
- Scholarship Essay - completed by student applicant
- Eligibility / Recommendation Form completed by Guidance Counselor
- (2) Completed Recommendation Forms
  - 1 must be completed by Arts Mentor/Teacher
  - 1 must be completed by Regular Education Teacher

### **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

Please submit all required documents to the NEPA Pride Project located at *Attn: Scholarship Committee* 100 Quarry Road, Laurel Run, PA 18706 or email the committee directly at [nepaprideproject@gmail.com](mailto:nepaprideproject@gmail.com) **DEADLINE FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024.**

### **ATTACHED:**

- Scholarship Application
- Scholarship Essay Topic
- Guidance Counselor Eligibility/Recommendation Form
- Two (2) Arts Mentor/Teacher Recommendation Forms

Sincerely,

*NEPA Pride Project Scholarship Committee*



**NEPA PRIDE PROJECT'S ARTS IN ACTION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
STUDENT APPLICATION**

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**PART A: APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street/Road/P.O. Box, City, State, Zip)

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART B: EDUCATION**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street/Road/P.O. Box, City, State, Zip)

Selected College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C: PERSONAL INTERESTS / STUDENT ACTIVITIES / AWARDS / ACHIEVEMENTS / EMPLOYMENT**

**School Related Activities:** List the school activities in which you participated and describe your involvement in each.

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**Community Related Activities:** List the community activities in which you participate and describe your involvement in each.

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**Awards/Achievements:** List awards you have received in relation to the arts program at school or in the community.

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**Employment:** Are you currently employed? If so, list your employer and contact information

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**PART D- ESSAY**

**Essay Topic:** *Describe why you are passionate about the arts.*

**Requirements:**

- Must be between 500 and 1000 words on separate sheet
- Must be typed using a word processor
- Must be double spaced and standard font size of 12
- Must fully express your answer to the provided question
- Submit a sample of portfolio work (optional)

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application and essay are adequate and honest representations of myself. I understand that any material misrepresentation of information shall serve to disqualify the application and essay. I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the NEPA Pride Scholarship program and agree to abide by them.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**NEPA PRIDE PROJECT'S ARTS IN ACTION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
TEACHER / MENTOR RECOMMENDATION FORM**

The named candidate is being considered for NEPA Pride Scholarship. The NEPA Pride Scholarship Committee will use this form to determine if he/she/they meet the eligibility requirements, overall mission, and standards of service, leadership, and character as a potential scholarship recipient. Please complete the following to the best of your ability.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Mentor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Rating Scale: **1** = Below Average **2** = Average **3** = Good **4** = Excellent **5** = Outstanding  
If it does not apply, leave it blank. For responses of 2 or lower, please provide comment

	SCALE	COMMENTS
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Social Skills		
Respectfulness		
Initiative		
Ability To Keep Commitments/Meet Deadlines		
Adaptability		
Leadership Potential		
Goal Oriented		
Maturity		

**AREAS OF STRENGTHS:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**AREAS OF WEAKNESS**

\_\_\_\_\_

**OVERALL IMPRESSION OF CANDIDATE: (PLEASE CIRCLE ONE)**

HIGHLY RECOMMEND      RECOMMEND      RECOMMEND WITH RESERVATION      DO NOT RECOMMEND

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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ELIGIBILITY / GUIDANCE RECOMMENDATION FORM**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Current GPA (4.0 Scale): \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Days Absent (current school year): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Days Tardy (current school year): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Discipline Referrals (current school year): \_\_\_\_\_

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