



# NWSA Area Labor Federation Scholarships Essay Contest for 2017-2018

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The goal is to raise enough revenue to perpetually fund these scholarships. We also raise funds through the generosity of the participants of the NWSA ALF Comedy Nights each year and our "Glass Block Project". The plant is now closed, but we do have more Glass Block BANKS and CANDY DISHES to sell.

For more information call 814-360-8336.

Please print legibly;

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Name of College you will attend \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number for student \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of school you are currently attending? \_\_\_\_\_

Union Affiliation include name and Local # \_\_\_\_\_ union member \_\_\_\_\_ relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Local Union Official \_\_\_\_\_

Applying for?:  NWSA ALF Scholarship  David A. Bielski Educational Scholarship  Dr. David Ferster Educational Scholarship

**Your complete packet should include:** this application and the 500-word essay in MS Word and an electronic copy. Please remember to keep your title exactly as specified in this brochure.

## Essay Contests for 2017-2018 NWPFA Area Labor Federation Scholarships

The NWPFA ALF offers three (3) different scholarships. The purpose of our Scholarships is to offer an opportunity for a member and/or their dependents of affiliated local unions of the NWPFA ALF to earn a scholarship by winning the essay contest. Our questions are designed to make the applicants learn more about the labor movement and plan for their place in society after graduation from college.

### What Are The Eligibility Requirements?

All award recipients must be a union member, dependent of a union member or grandchild of a union member in good standing of a local union affiliated with the NWPFA ALF and enrolled in an accredited degreed program at a system of higher education for the 2017-2018 school year.

NWPFA ALF Scholarship applicants must be a Graduating Senior.

David A. Bielski Educational Scholarship applicants must be a full-time post-secondary student.

Dr. David Ferster Educational Scholarship applicants must be a full-time post-secondary student at Edinboro University.

### Scholarship Awards

The winners of all three scholarships receive an award of \$500.00.

### How Can You Apply?

To apply, you must write a 500 word essay on the topic specified in the section of this brochure titled "Essay Topics" in your respective Scholarship. Essays with fewer than 500 words will be disqualified.

- ◆ Essays must be typed (in Blue or Black Ink), double-spaced on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper, and void of identification. Titles must be kept as they appear in this brochure.
- ◆ Entries must include an electronic copy in MS Word (by email, on a CD or USB Drive).
- ◆ Application form must be included. (*Signature of a Union Official which is required*).
- ◆ Deadline is **Monday, April 24th**.
- ◆ Presentation will be at the June 2017 Meeting.

### Direct Questions & Send Your Essay To:

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### Essay Topics

**NWPFA ALF Scholarship**  
(Graduating Senior in any system of Higher Education)

How do unions benefit non union workers and their communities?

**David A. Bielski Educational Scholarship**  
(Post Secondary student in any system of Higher Education)

Why are unions relevant to today's workforce?

**Dr. David Ferster Educational Scholarship**  
(Post Secondary Student attending Edinboro University of PA)

How do we make the labor movement relevant to the next generation, in a economy where an overwhelming majority of workers are non-union?

Note: A Post Secondary Student is someone continuing their education past their first year of college. (i.e. Sophomore in college until graduation from college)