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# PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO

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Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The Pennsylvania AFL-CIO is proud to again announce its Annual Scholarship Essay Contest. The essay contest provides students an opportunity to learn more about the Labor Movement's involvement in the social and economic development of our country. **The contest is only open to Pennsylvania AFL-CIO affiliated union members and their families. All submissions must be postmarked by January 31, 2018.**

Awards are offered to students in 2 categories: Graduating High School Seniors (class of 2018) and All Post-Secondary Students. The award amounts are: First Place - \$2,500, Second Place - \$1,500, Third Place - \$1,000.

The essay topics for each category are as follows:

**Category I – Graduating High School Seniors:**

"How do politics and legislation impact the ability to organize unions?"

**Category II – Students Attending an Accredited, Post-Secondary Institution:**

"How do Supreme Court decisions and State right-to-work laws affect the future of unionism?"

Enclosed you will find a Scholarship Application form for distribution to your members. You may make copies of this form. Additional forms can also be downloaded from our website: [www.paaficio.org](http://www.paaficio.org).

We look forward to receiving the entries of your members and their families.

In Solidarity,

RICHARD W. BLOOMINGDALE, President  
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Enclosure

NOTE: If you advertise the Scholarship Program on your Website, please note that these Scholarships are exclusively for Pennsylvania AFL-CIO affiliated union members and their families.

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## SCHOLARSHIP

## ESSAY

## CONTEST



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Please complete the application and include it with your entry.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name and address of the school and/or program that you currently attend? \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to provide proof of school acceptance or enrollment, should I be a scholarship recipient. \_\_\_\_\_

Union Affiliation & Local \_\_\_\_\_

Central Labor Council (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Central Labor Council President or Union Local President \_\_\_\_\_

# PENNSYLVANIA AFL-CIO 2018 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST



The PA AFL-CIO Scholarship Essay Contest is a chance for students to learn more about the importance of Organized Labor in America. For over a decade, we have awarded thousands of dollars to students furthering their education.

Scholarships are offered to students in 2 categories:

Graduating High School Seniors (Class of 2018) and All Post-Secondary Students.

**NOTE:** Scholarships are available exclusively to PA AFL-CIO Affiliated Union Members and their families.

Scholarships will be judged in the Spring, and winners announced in May 2018.

For more information, contact Pennsylvania AFL-CIO at 717-238-9351 or 800-242-3770.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

AWARDS IN TWO CATEGORIES	
\$2,500	FIRST AWARD
\$1,500	SECOND AWARD
\$1,000	THIRD AWARD

## WHAT ARE THE ESSAY TOPICS?

### **CATEGORY I** **Graduating High School Seniors**

How do politics and legislation impact the ability to organize unions?

## HOW CAN YOU APPLY?

*To apply, you must write a minimum 1,500-word essay on the topic in your respective category. (Essays with fewer than 1,500 words will be disqualified).*

• Essays must be typed and neatly prepared.

• Titles must be kept as they appear on brochure.

• Entries must be formatted as a PDF file and e-mailed to [president@paafcio.org](mailto:president@paafcio.org)

• Your application form must be included in essay PDF file or attached to e-mail as a separate PDF.

• Entries must be e-mailed by January 31, 2018.

• A PDF version of this brochure is available at [paafcio.org](http://paafcio.org)

## **CATEGORY II**

### **All Post-Secondary Students**

How do Supreme Court decisions and State right-to-work laws affect the future of unionism?