

JOSEPH J. HOHNER SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATIONAL BOARD OF LASALLE COUNTY

119 W. Madison Street, Room 102

Ottawa, IL. 61350

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

Phone: (815) 434-0780

College or University, Two-Year or Junior College, Trade School, or Graduate School Application Form

Use this application form if you will be attending a college or university, two-year or junior college, trade school, or graduate school in the fall.

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The Joseph J. Hohner Scholarship is a gift of the estate of Dr. Joseph J. Hohner of LaSalle County. Dr. Hohner was an Ottawa physician who died in 1972, leaving a half-million dollar special trust, the interest of which funds the scholarship. More than one million dollars has been distributed to over 2,000 students since the scholarship was established. It is a one-year scholarship open only to full-time students who are legal residents of LaSalle County. (Preference is given to Ottawa residents.)

Award selection is based on BOTH need and merit. The amount of the award will vary depending on the funds available from the scholarship investment and on the number of qualified applicants. In the past, the awards have ranged between **\$300 and \$1000 per year**. **The scholarship is not automatically renewable. You must submit a new and COMPLETE application every year. Nothing is carried over from the previous year.**

Applicants chosen to receive a Hohner Scholarship will be notified in June.

Applicants wishing to inquire about the status of their application may call our office at 815-434-0780.

To qualify for the Joseph J. Hohner Scholarship, you must be:

- ✓ **A FULL-TIME STUDENT (At Least 12 Hours)**
- ✓ **A LEGAL RESIDENT OF LASALLE COUNTY**

You will need to submit **ALL** of the following items:

- APPLICATION FORM**, fully completed and **SIGNED**.
- PARENT(S) FEDERAL 1040 or 1040EZ TAX FORM – SIGNED**
(pages 1 & 2 only) if you are filing as a dependent student (see page 3).
(You may obliterate social security and/or tax id numbers)
OR
- YOUR FEDERAL 1040 or 1040EZ TAX FORM – SIGNED**
(pages 1 & 2 only) if you are filing as an independent student (see page 3)
(You may obliterate social security and/or tax id numbers)
- HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS** Official transcripts are not required, but transcript information should be in a format that shows educational history.
- CURRENT FAFSA.**
- ACCEPTANCE LETTER** (for beginning or transferring students).
- ✓ **Deadline: April 14, 2017.** All items must be returned to the above address no later than April 14, 2017.
- ✓ All required application materials should be secured together by a single staple and returned at the same time in one envelope.
- ✓ Please be sure to have **ADEQUATE POSTAGE** on all applications that are mailed. Applications will be returned for insufficient postage.
- ✓ If the above requirements have not been met, this application **WILL NOT** be considered for an award.

Tips for Completing ANY Scholarship Application:

- Read instructions carefully. Read instructions through completely before starting.
- Gather all necessary materials.
- Allow time to order transcripts or other required items. Plan ahead for vacation dates and holidays when school offices are not open.
- Include everything that is requested. Send only what is requested.
- Be honest.
- Be accurate. Check your work. Check your spelling.
- Submit your application as early as possible.
- Respond quickly to any request for additional information.
- **Neatness counts!** Don't use scrap paper or odd sized paper as part of your application. Don't use the back of something else as part of your application.
- Each person applying for a scholarship must have a separate, COMPLETE, application package. (It is not the responsibility of the scholarship committee to research transcripts or make copies for you.)
- Make copies of everything you submit (application form, transcripts, etc.) and keep for your records.

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STUDENT INFORMATION (to be completed by student)

Student's Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Illinois ZIP: _____ You must be a **legal resident** of **LASALLE County**.
Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____ Home Phone: _____

Student's Current School: _____
Student's extra-curricular and/or community activities: _____

Student's work experience: _____

Honors and Awards: _____

Explain SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES which may qualify you for a scholarship: *(Use separate sheet if necessary.)*

School to be attended in the Fall: _____
Type of school:
 Two-year or junior college or trade school What year or grade level?: _____ (13, 14, 15, etc.)
 Four-year college or university What year or grade level?: _____ (13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, etc.)
 Graduate school or law or medical school What year or level?: _____ (1st yr law, 3rd yr med, etc.)
Major Area of Study: _____
Expected Date of Graduation: _____ Expected degree: _____ (BS, BA, MA, PHD, etc.)
Career Plans: _____

Use additional pages if necessary.

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Financial information:

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For financial aid purposes, you are a **dependent student** if you can answer **NO** to **ALL** of these questions:

- Were you born before January 1, 1994?
- During the school year 2017-2018, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program?
- Are you married?
- Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you?
- Do you have dependents other than your children or spouse?
- Are you an orphan, or are you or were you (until age 18) a ward/dependent of the court?
- Are you a Veteran?

If you are a dependent student, you must provide information about your parents when you apply for this scholarship.

- If your parents are both living and married to each other, answer the questions about them. (You will be providing information about two people.)
- If your parent is widowed or single, answer the questions about that parent. (You will be providing information about one person.) If your widowed parent has remarried as of today, answer the questions about that parent and the person whom your parent married. (You will be providing information about two people.)
- If your parents are divorced or separated, answer the questions about the parent you lived with more during the past 12 months. If you did not live with one parent more than the other, give answers about the parent who provided more financial support during the last 12 months, or during the most recent year that you actually were supported by a parent. (You will be providing information about one person.) If this parent has remarried as of today, answer the questions on the rest of this form about that parent and the person whom your parent married. (You will be providing information about two people.)

For financial aid purposes, you are an **independent student** if you can answer **YES** to **ANY** of these questions:

- Were you born before January 1, 1994?
- During the school year 2017-2018, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program?
- Are you married?
- Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you?
- Do you have dependents other than your children or spouse?
- Are you an orphan, or are you or were you (until age 18) a ward/dependent of the court?
- Are you a Veteran?

If you are an independent student, you must supply information about only yourself, or yourself and your spouse, not your parents.

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