



Scholarship applications are now available for the 2023-2024 Academic Year.

Applications are due July 21, 2023.

Scholarships will be awarded in August 2023.

The Architectural Ironworkers Industry Advancement Trust Fund, a non-profit organization funded by contributions from companies that employ members of Local #63, awards college scholarships to children of Local #63 members and children of employees at companies that employ Local #63 workers.

If the parent is a member of Local #63 or if the parent works at a company that employs Local #63 members, his/her children may be eligible for a scholarship.

Who is eligible to apply?

All children of active Local #63 members and children of employees at companies that employ Local #63 members are eligible to apply. Applicants must also be U.S. citizens and attend (or will attend) an accredited college or university on a full-time basis. A.I.I. considers full-time basis to be two semesters in one year with at least 12 credit hours per semester.

How many scholarships will be awarded?

The A.I.I. Board of Trustees will determine the number of scholarships awarded and the amounts of each scholarship. The number and the amount of the scholarships have not yet been finalized for this year.

How many scholarships can I receive?

If all information is submitted on time, each recipient can receive a maximum of 4 scholarships during his/her full-time undergraduate studies. Scholarships are awarded only for undergraduate studies.

Are there any special considerations if I received a scholarship in a previous year? Am I guaranteed a scholarship if I received one last year?

No. All applicants must complete the entire application and applications will be scored according to the criteria outlined on the following pages.

Will each applicant be awarded a scholarship?

No, not necessarily. Applications will be scored according to the criteria outlined in this document.

How do students apply?

All candidates must submit a written application. Please use this document or download one from the Iron League of Chicago website (www.ironleagueofchicago.org). Personal interviews with the Scholarship Committee may be required.

When are applications due?

Applications will be accepted at the Iron League of Chicago office through July 21, 2023. Applications must be sent in one attachment to one email. You must submit all required documentation in the proper order in one attachment to one email. All required information must be time-stamped by 11:59pm CDT on July 21, 2023. You will receive an email when we receive your application. *Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.*

How are applicants notified of their scholarship application status?

All applicants will be notified of their status by email before August 18, 2023.

If a student is awarded a scholarship, how and when does he/she receive the funds?

Checks payable to the student will be distributed by August 31, 2023. It is the student's responsibility to apply the funds towards his/her educational expenses. Checks should be deposited immediately.

How are the applications reviewed?

Each applicant will be assigned a random number when the application information is received via email. All application information (except personally identifiable information and the applicant essays) will be entered into a spreadsheet by the ILOC Executive Director. Applicant essays will be reviewed by staff at the DePaul University Labor Education Center. The DePaul staff will score each essay according to the scoring criteria described in this document; essay scores will be entered into the spreadsheet by the Executive Director. The completed spreadsheet with the compiled scores will be distributed to the Scholarship Committee for review. The Scholarship Committee will review the recommendations and award scholarships based on the scores.

How are applications scored?

Each application is scored on the following criteria and has a maximum of 40 points.

School Activity

12.5% weighting

- 5 points if the student provides a signed letter from a coach or club sponsor verifying the student's activity at the school that the student attended during the **2022-2023** academic year
- 0 points if there is no letter or an unsigned letter

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- Work Activity* *12.5% weighting*
- 5 points if the student provides a signed letter from an employer verifying the student's employment during the 2022-2023 year
 - 0 points if there is no letter or an unsigned letter
- ACT/SAT Score* *12.5% weighting*
- A maximum of 5 points will be awarded based on the applicant's ACT or SAT test score. The applicant's test score will be calculated on a percentage basis and then applied to a possible 5 points.
 - ACT Example: Sally scored 24 out of 36 on the ACT. This is calculated to be 66.7% ($24 / 36 = 0.667$). Sally will be awarded 3.33 points out of 5 ($0.667 \times 5 = 3.33$).
 - SAT Example: Pedro scored 1300 out of 2400 on the SAT. This is calculated to be 58.3% ($1300 / 2400 = 0.583$). Pedro will be awarded 2.92 points out of 5 ($0.583 \times 5 = 2.92$).
 - NOTE: The application is incomplete if there is no ACT or SAT transcript.
- GPA* *12.5% weighting*
- A maximum of 5 points will be awarded based on the applicant's latest GPA. The applicant's test score will be calculated on a percentage basis and then applied to a possible 5 points.
 - Example: Maria's GPA is 3.5 out of 4.0. This is calculated to be 87.5% ($3.5 / 4 = 0.875$). Maria will be awarded 4.38 points out of 5 ($0.875 \times 5 = 4.38$).
 - Example: Tim's GPA is 4.8 out 6.0. This is calculated to be 80.0% ($4.8 / 6 = 0.80$). Tim will be awarded 4.0 points out of 5 ($0.8 \times 5 = 4.0$).
 - NOTE: The application is incomplete if there is no current transcript.
- Essay* *50.0% weighting*
- Each student must present an essay of approximately 300 words entitled "What the Construction Industry Means to Me". A maximum of 20 points will be awarded based on the following:

0-2 points	Headline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 0 points for no headline - 1 point for a headline that is different from the topic - 2 points for a headline that is the same as the topic
0-5 points	Grammar, Punctuation and Capitalization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 0 points for more than 10 mistakes - 1 point for 10 mistakes - 2 points for 8-9 mistakes - 3 points for 5-7 mistakes - 4 points for 1-4 mistakes - 5 points for no mistakes
0-13 points	Essay Content, including accuracy and originality



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This scholarship program is sponsored by the Architectural Iron Industry Advancement Trust Fund, a non-profit organization funded by contributions from companies that employ members of Local # 63. Scholarships will be awarded in August 2023. Please print or type neatly; illegible or sloppy applications will be rejected. **Complete applications must be time-stamped by 11:59pm CDT on July 21, 2023 in order to be considered.**

SECTION 1 – Personal Information

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/St/Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____

SECTION 2 – Parental Information (choose one box)

MY PARENT IS A MEMBER OF LOCAL #63.

Name of Parent in Local #63: _____

Union Membership Number: _____

MY PARENT IS EMPLOYED BY A COMPANY THAT EMPLOYS LOCAL #63 MEMBERS.

Name of Parent: _____

Name of Company: _____

Company's Telephone: _____

Name/Email of Parent's Manager: _____

SECTION 3 – Educational Information

High School / College / University You Attended in Spring 2023 (please include city and state):

High School / College / University You Will Attend in Fall 2023 (please include city and state):

Your College Major:

Your College Minor (if any):

Year You Will Start in Fall 2023 (Freshman, Sophomore, etc.):

Expected Graduation Date:

Latest GPA / Maximum GPA Possible:

SECTION 4 – Acceptance of Scoring Method and Verification of Application

Your Scholarship Application will be scored using the following system:

Part	Type	Weighting	Maximum Number of Points Available
A	Most Recent GPA	12.5%	5
B	ACT/SAT Score	12.5%	5
C	Extracurricular Activity	12.5%	5
D	Work Activity	12.5%	5
E	Personal Essay	<u>50.0%</u>	<u>20</u>
		100.0%	40

A higher score means a higher ranking against your peers. Scholarships will be awarded to the applicants who have the highest scores. Please read the questions carefully and answer the questions truthfully and to the best of your knowledge.

Part A – Most Recent GPA – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

Include a copy of your most recent transcript from your school (high school or college).

Part B – ACT/SAT Score – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

Include a copy of your ACT or SAT score.

Part C – Extracurricular Activity – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

Include a statement of your extracurricular activity between June 1, 2022 and May 31, 2023. To receive maximum points, include a signed letter from a coach or club sponsor verifying that you participated.

Part D – Work Activity – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

Include a statement of your work activity (volunteer or paid) between September 1, 2022 and the date of your application. To receive maximum points, include a signed letter from your employer verifying that you worked and the dates that you worked.

Part E – Essay – 20 Possible Points – 50.0% Weighting

Include an essay of approximately 300 words about the topic “What the Construction Industry Means to Me”. You will be graded on your headline, grammar, punctuation, capitalization and essay content (included accuracy and originality).

Finally, include Proof of Enrollment from the college or university that you plan to attend in Fall 2023.

I verify that the information provided in this application is true.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

I represent and pledge that any funds received will be used solely for educational purposes.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

IMPORTANT

Applications will be accepted only via email.

Your application must be submitted in the following order in order for it to be considered.

You must submit your application by email with
only one attachment
and the documents must be in the following order.

- Pages 4, 5 and 6 (all blanks must be complete)
- Copy of your most recent transcript
- Copy of your ACT or SAT score
- Statement of your extracurricular activity (if applicable)
- Signed letter from a coach or club sponsor verifying that you participated in an extracurricular activity (if applicable)
- Statement of your work activity (if applicable)
- Signed letter from your employer verifying that you worked and the dates that you worked (if applicable)
- Your essay
- Proof of Enrollment in Fall 2023

**Email all required information by 11:59pm CDT on July 21, 2023 to:
office@ironleagueofchicago.org**

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact
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**Late applications, incomplete applications or
applications not in the proper order
will not be reviewed or accepted.**