



Friends Of PPMN Scholarship Application Deadline March 15

The Promotional Products Education Foundation program was established with these continuing goals and objectives:

- To recognize and encourage scholarly ability and academic performance of individuals whose employment, business, career or profession encompasses the sale, marketing, manufacturing or distribution of promotional products
- To provide scholarship assistance for individuals who are employed in the promotional products industry
- To encourage personal growth through participation in extracurricular activities within the civic and academic communities
- To recognize intellectual growth and achievement
- To provide fiscal support that eases financial burdens while encouraging higher education

The Friends of PPMN Scholarship will be awarded to a full-time promotional products industry employee. This scholarship does not automatically renew, but winners are eligible to reapply in future years.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the essay questions and resume, as well as other pertinent information about the student which is submitted to the Foundation's selection committee.

The applicant must be currently employed on a full-time basis by a promotional products company.

PPEF's Scholarship Committee will determine the annual recipient of the scholarship award.

The value of the scholarship is \$1,000.

Funding for this scholarship was provided by the Promotional Professionals Mentoring Network (PPMN).

Friends Of PPMN Scholarship

Eligibility:

Students eligible for this scholarship during the forthcoming academic year must be full-time employees, independent contractors, owners or operators whose business encompasses the sale, marketing, manufacturing or distribution of promotional products. Proof of current employment in the promotional products industry is required. Applicants will be asked to authorize the Foundation to verify involvement and work in the field of promotional products as described above for at least one year prior to application. PPEF Trustees and their immediate family members are ineligible for scholarships.

Friends Of PPMN Scholarship Requirements:

- Students must be attending a two-year or four-year accredited college or university, taking undergraduate or graduate level course work.
- Scholarship awards funded by PPEF cannot be used for any other purpose other than to help cover tuition, books, lab fees and educational supplies.
- Student must maintain full-time employment in the promotional products industry.
- The foundation's eligibility requirements must prevail at the start of the academic year.
- PPEF does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, national origin or disability.

Financial Need FAFSA Report:

When applying for this scholarship, it is optional to submit the applicant's Student Aid Report from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A student can apply for financial need (FAFSA) online through the U.S. Department of Education. The student does not have to be admitted into a college or university to apply for financial need. Once the student applies for financial need through the FAFSA, the student should receive a Student Aid Report. PPEF uses the information provided on the Student Aid Report to determine financial need. Please submit a copy of the Student Aid Report along with the applicant's PPEF scholarship application. All financial information submitted will remain confidential. The Student Aid Report showing the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) must be submitted by April 30.

How To Proceed:

- All applicants must **complete in full the following forms** and submit them to the PPEF Scholarship Committee by March 15.
- All applicants must submit answers to the essay listed on page 4 of this application form.
- Applicants must submit a resume as explained on page 4.
- If applicant has no college credits, submit a high school transcript or proof of high school completion; if applicant is attending or has attended college, attach an official college transcript.
- If applicant wants financial need considered, please submit the Student Aid Report as described in the "Financial Need FAFSA Report" section above.

Winner of the scholarship will be announced in May of each year. Winner may select any accredited college. Student must make his or her own arrangements for admission.

Please Note: This Scholarship Application Form must be returned to PPEF headquarters no later than March 15. Only financial need information will be accepted after this date and it must be received by April 30. Please send to:

Promotional Products Education Foundation • Foundation Manager
3125 Skyway Circle North • Irving, TX 75038-3526
972.258.3097 • ppef@ppai.org

Friends Of PPMN Scholarship Application Form

Note: This application must be typewritten or completed in ink by the applicant and received by **March 15**.

Date _____ Telephone _____

Name _____
first middle last

Home Address _____
street

_____ city state zip

E-mail Address _____ Date of Birth _____

Other Financial Aid or Grants awarded: _____

Employed by:

_____ company supervisor

_____ supervisor's e-mail address supervisor's telephone

_____ address street city state zip

_____ applicant's occupation hire date

CHECK AND SIGN:

I am the applicant. My employer is in the promotional products industry. I authorize PPEF to verify this information with my employer.

Employee Signature: _____

State the college or university you prefer to attend. (NOTE: Your choice of college or university will have no effect in determining whether you will be awarded a scholarship. However, the scholarship may be used only at a two-year or four-year accredited college or university.)

First Choice _____

Second Choice _____

Third Choice _____

List in chronological order all the schools you have attended, including current college or university if applicable:

Name of School	City or Location	Dates	Degree/Certificate

• ESSAY FROM SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE

On plain paper (no letterhead), please attach a typed, original essay of no more than 750 words. This personal statement should describe your individual character and accomplishments, your educational and career goals, why you believe you deserve the Friends of PPMN Scholarship and why you need financial help to pursue your education.

• EDUCATION/COMMUNITY SERVICE/WORK EXPERIENCE

— Please submit a 1-3 page resume describing your education, extra-curricular activities and work experience.

Signature of Scholarship Candidate _____

Date of Application _____