

NWTA Scholarship Instructions

Awards: The NWTA awards two scholarships of \$1,000 each annually to members pursuing post-secondary education. Academic, professional, or vocational-technical programs qualify for consideration. While those pursuing advanced degrees (MA, Ph.D., etc.) may apply, primary consideration will be given to applicants working towards their first post-high school degree/certification. Previous winners are allowed to apply, but other considerations being equal, first-time applicants will be given priority.

Guidelines: While the committee will look at academic performance, the primary considerations in awarding scholarships will be participation in NWTA events and commitment to continue reenacting.

Application: The scholarship application must include the following:

1. Application form
2. Essay of not more than 500 words indicating how the applicant has met the scholarship guidelines.
3. Letter of recommendation from NWTA member familiar with applicant's participation. Recommender should not be an immediate family member of the applicant.

The application form and essay should be submitted as a single document and emailed to the chair of the scholarship committee, Tom Mockaitis (tmockait@depaul.edu). The applicant should provide the recommender a copy of his/her application form and essay. The recommender should email the letter of support directly to the chair of the scholarship committee. The deadline for submitting the application form, essay, and letter of recommendation is **APRIL 15**.

Scholarship Application

Name:

Unit:

Number of years active in the NWT A:

Number of NWT A events for which you dressed in the last 5 years:

Schools you have attended during the past two years:

Grade Point Average for the past two years:

Post-secondary School or Program to which you have been admitted or currently attend:

Matriculation date:

Essay Instructions

In an essay of no more than 500 words discuss your participation in the NWT A, what the organization has meant to you, and your plans for continuing to reenact. Be as specific as possible. Do not just list the events in which you participated. Explain in as much detail as possible what you actually did (dressed for the event, did demonstrations, led an activity, etc.). If you did any work in the community on behalf of the NWT A, such as speaking at a school or community group, discuss that as well. Participation in events sponsored by other organizations to which NWT A units are invited should also be noted. Explain how the scholarship will help you achieve your educational goals. If being away at school limits your ability to participate in events, explain why. Finally, discuss your plans to continue historic reenacting after you graduate.

Instructions for Recommender

Please provide a brief letter (1-2 pages) in support of the applicant. Indicate how and for how long you have known the applicant. Confirm but do not merely reiterate information in the application and essay. Comment on the applicant's interest in and commitment to reenacting and his/her contribution to the NWT A. Email your letter to scholarship committee chair, Tom Mockaitis, tmockait@depaul.edu.