

2023 P.E.O., Chapter IF Scholarship Fund - "If you wish upon a star..."

c/o Emily Griger - Scholarship Committee co-Chair
10368 Brookhollow Circle, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

Dear High School Senior Woman, her Parents, her High School Counselor(s) and her references:

We are part of a community-based women's organization called P. E. O. International that is dedicated to helping make education opportunities for women possible. P. E. O. was founded in 1869 at Iowa Wesleyan University. You may learn more about us, as well as other financial support offered to women pursuing their education, at our web site: www.peointernational.org

Our local P.E.O. Chapter IF - Highlands Ranch is offering a \$1,000.00 scholarship to a local young woman who is graduating from high school in 2022-2023, is a citizen of the United States of America, and who will be enrolled in and attending an accredited college, university, or training school or program in the Fall of 2023. In compliance with Federal Tax Guidelines, the funds can only be used for tuition, fees or books and will be paid directly to the institution as directed by the student, after verification of her acceptance.

The qualifications for the scholarship are:

- A graduating female senior from an accredited Douglas or Arapahoe County high school
- A citizen of the United States of America (proof will be required when the selected woman is chosen)
- Acceptance to an accredited educational institution of higher learning or a post-high school training school or program in either the United States of America or Canada
- A minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Completed application package (see below)

Deadlines are:

- **Monday, May 8, 2023** – ALL Application materials due to Emily Griger at the above address; hand delivery is acceptable. (Please note additional steps and form(s) will be required at later dates of the selected candidate.)
- **June 1, 2023** – Our Chapter IF Scholarship Committee completes selection of candidate for review by the International P.E.O. Foundation
- **After July 1, 2023 and before December 1, 2023** – Funds will be available from the International P.E.O. Foundation to the student's accepting institution.

Application package contents:

1. Application form.
2. Proof of grade point average and rank in class (if applicable) via an official transcript.
APPLICANTS – PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE of your counseling departments which may need or require ONE OR MORE WEEKS to prepare your official transcripts for you!
3. Name and complete address of accredited institution applicant will be attending; include the major in which you have been accepted.
4. Essay of 500 words or less sharing the student's:
 - a) Chosen education path beyond high school;
 - b) Choice of educational institution and her intended major(s), minor(s) and/or programs as applicable. We understand that sometimes your intended major(s) or program(s) cannot be officially declared until later in some institutions – if this is the case, please share the major(s) under which you were accepted and why this is different from your intended major(s);
 - c) Ultimate career and life goals after higher education.
 - d) Please include why you made decisions (a) through (c).
5. A list of your extracurricular and volunteer activities in both high school and the community for the past four years. Please include a brief description of each activity.
6. Two personal recommendations placed in sealed envelopes by the authors. These letters may be given to the applicant for delivery with her application or mailed separately (deadline for receipt is **May 8, 2023**).

Applicants, our Scholarship committee looks forward to receiving your application packages! Please contact us with any questions or for additional information.

Counselors, thank you for your help in identifying and contacting qualified young women for this scholarship opportunity. Please share this letter and the application form with the young women of your schools. We welcome your input as high school counselors. Should you have any questions, suggestions or feedback, please contact our committee.

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Best wishes,

Chapter IF, P.E.O. Highlands Ranch
2023 Scholarship Committee

NOTE – Completed application must be received by Monday, May 8, 2023 by mail or hand delivered to:
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APPLICATION

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Applicant's First, Middle & Last Name _____

Applicant's Phone Number: _____

Applicant's Secondary Number (please list parent name & their phone number): _____

Last four digits of your Social Security # OR Student ID #: _____

Please note that providing your Student ID at this time is acceptable however the chosen recipient will be required to provide their Social Security number for purposes of the financial award.

Please note you must be a citizen of United States of America to receive this scholarship.
I am able to provide proof of citizenship for the United States of America, please circle:

yes no

Address _____

City _____ County _____ Zip _____

Email (Do NOT use your school email) _____

Graduation Date _____ High School Name _____

High School Address _____

Father's Full Name _____

Father's Phone Number: _____

Mother's Full Name _____

Mother's Phone Number: _____

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