

## P.E.O. STAR Scholarship



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RE: P.E.O. \$2500 Scholarship

Enclosed is information and one set of forms, that can be copied, for the International P.E.O. STAR Senior Girls \$2500 Award.

P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization that supports continuing education for women. Connecticut has thirty-four (34) P.E.O chapters. Our chapter, AH, is based in East Lyme and reaches out to seven school systems in the region. We have reviewed, interviewed and sponsored two applicants, 2009 and 2010, who successfully went on to be two of the seven CT young women to receive an International STAR Award.

We are again seeking applications from special young women in your school. While there must be evidence of academic ability, more important is a high school record of initiative, increasing leadership in extra-curricular activities, and commitment and leadership in community service. The required essay needs to address the goals and careers they are seeking, and why. Speaking from the heart is good!

With two year's of experience reviewing applications, and forwarding on to International, we ask that you please advise your student's of the following:

- Do not submit a handwritten *Student Activity Chart*.
- Enclose an *official* transcript from your school;
- Enclose the two letters of reference in their *individual original sealed* envelopes with the *signature* of the individual providing the reference *across the seal of the envelope*.

Please note on the enclosed form letter that the applications must reach me by **October 30.**

Feel free to contact me with questions. [llange@sbcglobal.net](mailto:llange@sbcglobal.net), Phone: 860-739-6949

Looking forward to hearing from your special seniors!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Luane Lange'.

Luane Lange, STAR Chair  
Chapter AH, P.E.O.

## P.E.O. STAR Scholarship

### STUDENT INFORMATION



The P.E.O. Sisterhood is an international philanthropic educational organization that promotes educational opportunities for women through grants, loans and scholarships. The P.E.O. STAR Scholarship was established in 2009 to provide \$2,500 scholarships to high school senior women attending an accredited post-secondary educational institution in the U.S. or Canada, full-time or part-time in the fall of the academic year following high school graduation.

#### Student Criteria for Eligibility

- Exhibits excellence in leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, academics and potential for future success.
- A graduating senior, age 20 years of age or under by the application deadline of November 30.
- In the final academic year (senior year) of secondary education at time of application deadline.
- Minimum cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States or Canada.
- Plans to attend an accredited post-secondary educational institution in the United States or Canada full-time or part-time in the fall of the academic year following her high school graduation.
- Recommended by a P.E.O. chapter.

#### Scholarship Uses

The non-renewable P.E.O. STAR Scholarship may be used for non-taxable uses such as tuition, fees and books. Funds used by the institution in this manner will normally be divided between the fall and spring semesters. Alternatively, funds may also be used for items that may be taxable such as room and board. The recipient and her family will make the decision on use of the funds and will be responsible for any tax implications.

#### How to Apply

1. A local P.E.O. chapter must recommend the student.

Local Contact: Luanne Lange Chapter: AH  
State/Province/District: CT  
Phone: 860.739-6949 Email: llange@sbcglobal.net

2. An interview may be requested by the P.E.O. chapter. The chapter will contact student with this request.
3. The Student Profile Form must be completed and signed. The contact person will answer questions.
4. An essay is required. In a one page, plain paper, single-spaced, 12-point font document, the student must describe her future career goals. Be specific. The student's name must be on her essay.
5. Complete the Student Activity Chart, explaining involvement and level of responsibility.
6. With the application, submit an official high school transcript through the 11th grade (junior year). Canadian applicants must include a copy of their Province Conversion Grading Scale with their packet.
7. Two letters of reference are required. References could include: teacher, coach, principal, employer, etc. Each reference letter should be submitted in a sealed envelope with signature of reference across the seal.
8. All application materials are to be given to the chapter contact. Please do not use folders, binders, staples or paper clips.

#### Deadline

Materials are to be given to the P.E.O. chapter contact person by October 30, 2011  
(Date determined by recommending chapter)

The sponsoring P.E.O. chapter will include their recommendation form, letter, and check list and send the completed application packet, postmarked no later than November 30, to the P.E.O. Executive Office.

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**P.E.O. STAR Scholarship**  
**STUDENT PROFILE**



Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

City State/Province Zip/Postal Code

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Different) Street Address

City State/Province Zip/Postal Code

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident of (U.S. or Canada): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (based on 4.00 scale) Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in class (if applicable)

**The following items must accompany this Student Profile:**

1. Student Activity Chart explaining your involvement and level of responsibilities.
2. A one-page essay stating your future career goals. Put your name on your essay.
3. Official high school transcript through 11th grade (junior year).
4. Canadian applicants must include a copy of their Province Conversion Grading Scale with their packet.
5. Two letters of reference from those who know you well. Each should be in a sealed envelope with the reference's signature across the seal. Please indicate names and titles on lines below.

a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No  
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If selected as a P.E.O. STAR Scholarship recipient, I give my permission to the P.E.O. Sisterhood to use my name and information provided in my application and any additional information submitted for the P.E.O. STAR Scholarship. This includes photos for publicity in the media and publication purposes on the P.E.O. website.

Yes No  
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I hereby grant permission to the P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Board of Trustees to release my name and address information on this application to Cottey College, a two-year liberal arts college for women owned by the P.E.O. Sisterhood.

*Not granting publicity permission or requesting Cottey information will not affect the scholarship selection process.*

I declare this information to be correct to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature Required if Applicant is under 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this application and all supporting materials to the P.E.O. chapter contact:**

LUANE LANGE Phone/Email: 860-739-6949 / llange@sbcglobal.net  
Chapter: AH State/Province/District: CT By: Oct 30, 2011

Date to be Determined by P.E.O. Chapter Contact



**P.E.O. STAR Scholarship  
Student Activity Chart**  
(Additional pages may be added as needed)

**Extracurricular Activities**

Activity	Years	Position/ Involvement	Leadership/ skills acquired
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**Community and Volunteer Service**

Activity	Years	Position/ Involvement	Leadership/ skills acquired
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