



THE OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION

# OTA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The OTA is excited to announce the OTA Scholarship Program will begin accepting applications in September. Each year, **we will be awarding up to five high school seniors \$1,500 each** for their future education. Since 2005, the scholarship has provided support to high school seniors residing in Ohio's townships and show excellence in their communities and schools.

In addition to four scholarship opportunities for traditional college education, we are excited to offer an additional scholarship for a student who plans to attend a trade or vocational school in Ohio.

#### Eligibility:

- Must be a high school senior;
- Have at least a "B" average (cumulative) or equivalent overall GPA;
- Be a U.S. citizen and a resident of a township in Ohio; and
- Must plan to attend a university, training program, or vocational school in Ohio.

*If you have any questions, please reach out to Nicole Jaros, Director of Communications, at [jaros@ohiotownships.org](mailto:jaros@ohiotownships.org). The scholarship review panel only selects winners and cannot answer questions regarding the scholarship or application process.*

## OTA Scholarship Options

**Academic Achievement (2):** For a student who excels academically. To qualify, a student must have a cumulative "B" average and at least a 22 ACT or 1000 SAT.

**Local Government Achievement (2):** For a student who demonstrates outstanding citizenship through service and participation in community activities.

**Trade School Scholarship (1):** For an excellent student who is choosing to attend a vocational or trade school. To qualify, a student must have a cumulative "B" average and complete the scholarship questionnaire.

## Application Process

### For all scholarship applications:

- Complete the online application form
- Submit a state of activities, honors, and leadership accomplishments
- Submit official copy of your transcript, including any ACT/SAT test scores (test scores optional for trade scholarship application)
- Two letters of recommendation from teachers and/or community leaders
- Applicants must attend at least one official meeting of township officials and complete the attendance form with signatures from at least two elected officials

### Additional requirements:

#### Academic Achievement:

Write a 500 word (max) essay describing the importance of local government.

#### Local Government:

Write a 500 word (max) essay describing a community project/event that made an impact on your life.

#### Trade School:

Complete the questionnaire to be submitted with your application.

**The scholarship application period will run from September 1<sup>st</sup> - January 31<sup>st</sup>. Go to [www.ohiotownships.org/scholarship-program](http://www.ohiotownships.org/scholarship-program) to learn more and apply!**