



# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Undergraduate college students who are the children and grandchildren of AFSCME Council 13 members (and retirees) in good standing\* are eligible for a \$500 scholarship upon proficient completion of the application and essay, with the top four performers selected to receive a \$1,500 scholarship. One additional \$500 scholarship is awarded to a graduate student. Scholarships are one-time-only payments, which may be applied toward educational expenses, such as tuition, lodging, and books.

*\*AFSCME staff and their families are not eligible.*

## 2026 Scholarship Essay Prompt

*Labor unions are often described as a cornerstone of workplace democracy. In an era of increasing economic inequality, political polarization, and declining trust in institutions, what role do unions play in strengthening democracy both in the workplace and in society at large? How can organized labor continue to amplify workers' voices and expand civic participation in the years ahead?*

# CLOSES JULY 1, 2026

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# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

## Student Information

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**College:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Year you will be entering:**

Freshman    Sophomore    Junior    Senior    Grad School

## Sponsor Information

(Must be a Member in Good Standing when the award is made)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SSN (Last 4):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Local Union Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

*To apply for the scholarship, be sure to submit with this form:  
1. Typed essay not exceeding two pages, 2. Relevant transcript(s),  
and 3. Three non-family character references.*

**Closes July 1st!**