

**Council of Administrators of Compensatory Education
Massachusetts Title I Administrators**

To: Members of CACE
From: Council of Administrators of Compensatory Education (CACE)
Subject: CACE Scholarship -- Request for Applications
Date: October 2023

CACE is pleased to announce the **2023-24 Council of Administrators of Compensatory Education (CACE) Scholarships**. These awards will provide \$2,000 scholarships for three graduating seniors who have been accepted into a post-secondary undergraduate program. The Council of Administrators of Compensatory Education (CACE) awards will be awarded to graduating seniors who attend CACE member districts.

The eligibility requirements for this scholarship are demonstrated need and that the applicant participated in a Title I funded Targeted Assistance Program or Schoolwide Program for at least one academic year, at any grade level. The applicant's participation could have taken place in either a public or non-public school, or as part of a program administered in a local/state-operated facility for neglected or delinquent children. The applicant must be an individual who expects to graduate from high school in 2023 and expects to be accepted for admission to a post-secondary undergraduate program.

Your assistance is requested in photocopying and disseminating this information to individuals in your district who may be able to identify deserving students -- teachers, program coordinators, guidance counselors, as well as Title I administrators in private schools and facilities for neglected/delinquent children.

This year, we will be using the National Association of Federal Program Administrators (NAFEPA) scholarship application as our own CACE application. Up to two of the CACE scholarship recipients will **also be nominated for the NAFEPA scholarship**. We will notify these individuals in late January. We recommend that you or a Title I designee coordinate the effort and review all applications before submitting them. All applications will require the principal's signature. Completed applications must be received no later than **Thursday, November 30th** and should be emailed directly to cacescholarship@gmail.com. **Applications will only be accepted at this email address.**

Selected recipients will be notified in January of 2024 and will receive their awards after graduating in 2024.

Thank you for your assistance in disseminating this scholarship information.



CACE/ NAFEPA Scholarship Program Information for Students 2024

Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship program is to financially support post-secondary education for qualifying high school seniors attending their first year of college. The Council of Administrators for Compensatory Education (CACE) awards three graduating seniors who have been accepted into a post secondary undergraduate program, a scholarship of \$2,000 to defray the cost of their education.

Eligibility

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Selection Process

Scholarship winners will be selected based upon the following criteria:

Criteria	Points
1. A personal essay of 350-500 words that reflects proper conventions of writing and fully addresses the required discussion point (See Application Checklist for discussion points).	50 Points
2. GPA, based on the applicant’s Spring 2023 High School transcript	20 Points
3. School, community service, leadership and/or work activities and experiences in which the applicant participated during grades 9-12, including leadership positions held.	15 Points
4. Three letters of recommendation including a letter from the student’s high school principal or administrative designee, a faculty member/advisor, and a non-family member.	15 Points

Scholarship Payment

Selected recipients will be notified in January of 2024 and will receive their awards after graduating in 2024. Up to two of the CACE scholarship recipients will **also be nominated for the NAFEPA scholarship**. We will contact these individuals in late January. All applications will require the principal’s signature. Completed applications must be received no later than **Thursday, November 30th** and should be emailed directly to cacescholarship@gmail.com. **Applications will only be accepted at this email address.**



NAFEPA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2023

Application Checklist and Cover Sheet

- Use this Checklist as a cover sheet for each Packet.

A **completed Scholarship Application Packet** includes ALL of the following documents and ALL required signatures.

Completed Scholarship Application Form, including all four parts;

Application Checklist, with applicant's signature and date

Part 1: State NAFEPA Representative Information

Part 2: Applicant's Information

Part 3: List of School, Community, Service, Leadership, and Work Activities/Experiences

Part 4: Certification of Applicant's High School Completion Status by high school principal

(Applicant – Please include the date the principal is to return this form to you.

Personal Essay (typed, about 350 - 500 words) in which the applicant:

1. Explains the reasons for applying for the scholarship;
2. Describes a personal experience with adversity & the impact on self;
3. Describes an experience when the applicant demonstrated leadership skills or qualities and the impact on self or others;
4. Describes an experience when the applicant demonstrated personal responsibility and the impact on self or others; AND
5. Discusses future goals and why they are important.

Spring 2022 High School Transcript

Three letters of recommendation:

1. One from the applicant's high school principal or administrative designee (on school/district letterhead)
2. One from a faculty member or advisor (on school/district letterhead)
3. One from a non-family member

Use the Application Checklist with the Applicant's Signature as a Cover Sheet

Initials - My initials verify my understanding that to be eligible for the NAFEPA Scholarships, I must be enrolled in a public or charter school or school district with at least one current NAFEPA member..

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

State NAFEPA Representative's Signature: By signing below, I verify that our state nominates this applicant for the 2023 NAFEPA scholarships and confirm that the applicant meets all eligibility requirements.

STATE NAFEPA Rep's Signature: _____ Date: _____

STATE NAFEPA Rep's Full Name (Please Print): _____



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Part 1: State NAFEPA Representative (To be completed by the State NAFEPA Representative before distributing application documents to NAFEPA Members.)

Name of State NAFEPA Representative:	Paul Zinni, King Philip Regional High School
Nominating State:	Massachusetts

Part 2: Applicant's Information (To be completed by the applicant.)

Applicant's Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, and ZIP Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

High School: _____ Local School District: _____

I plan to pursue a degree in: _____

Institutional Preferences		Estimated Tuition and Educational Expenses	Date Accepted (if applicable)
1 st Choice			
2 nd Choice			
3 rd Choice			

Part 3: School, Community, Service, Leadership, and Work Activities/Experiences

Please list activities in which you have actively participated during high school (grades 9-12), either at school or outside of school. Include any leadership positions or roles you might have held with school or community groups or organizations. For each activity, put the number of years you participated in parentheses. [Ex. *Debate Team (2 yrs)*]. (Include as an attachment, if preferred.)



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Part 4: Certification of Applicant's High School Completion Status

Applicant's Name: _____ Student ID Number: _____

To be completed by the High School Principal:

By checking this box, I certify that this student is a high school senior and is currently on track to meet the established criteria for obtaining a high school diploma by the conclusion of the 2022-23 academic year.

Principal's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Principal's Name (Print): _____

Name of High School: _____ State: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Please return this completed form to the applicant by: _____

(The Applicant must include a Return Date.)

Part 5: Photo Option and Permission

To be Completed by the Applicant

Applicant's Name: _____

Initial one of the options below to indicate your intent.

_____ I decline the option to submit a photo. **STOP HERE.**

_____ I will submit a photo, if selected as a State NAFEPA Scholarship Nominee. **CONTINUE***

***To be completed by a Parent, Guardian, or Caregiver**

Please **read and initial** each of the following statements to verify your understanding and agreement with each one.

_____ I give my child, named above, permission to submit a photo to the State NAFEPA Representative.



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_____ I assisted/will assist my child in selecting a photo that is appropriate for the purpose stated above.

_____ I give permission for the NAFEPA Scholarship Committee to use the photo of my child for the sole purpose of announcing the NAFEPA Scholarship Recipients, as described above.

_____ I give permission for the State to use my child's photo for the sole purpose of announcing the State Recipients, if the State makes such an announcement. (State Rep - delete if not applicable.)

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian/Caregiver: _____