



# Metropolitan School District of Pike Township Realizing Your Dream Scholarship Application

**Application Deadline: Friday, April 11, 2025**



**\* All applications must be completed and returned to either staff listed below no later than Friday, April 11, 2025 for consideration:**

- Mrs. Torria Buckley, CCRC/Graduation Coach at Pike High School, or;**
- Dr. Ruth Woods, Pre-Collegiate Initiative at Pike Freshman Center, Room Q101**

**Mrs. Buckley will forward all applications to the office of the Superintendent.**

Note: It is imperative to complete all categories listed on the application. Omission of information in any area will disqualify your application. **See last page for application materials checklist.**

# Rationale

## Category #1: Merit

### Rationale:

- SAT and ACT scores were based on general college admission requirements.
- The grade point average requirements were based on general college admission requirements.
- Attendance requirements were based on “Every Student Succeeds Act” mandates and expectations.

## Category #2: Community Involvement

### Rationale:

- Volunteerism demonstrates an individual’s commitment to the betterment of his/her community.
- Employment history reflects the candidate’s willingness to work and gain applicable life skills.
- Letters of recommendation validate the quality of work displayed by the individual while on the assignment.

## Category #3: School Involvement

### Rationale:

- Athletics promote and develop teamwork, leadership, character development and health & wellness.
- Performing arts develop and enrich personal creativity, dedication and confidence.
- Clubs provide students with opportunities to explore personal and professional interests.
- Leadership shows an individual’s willingness to guide and serve others.

## Category #4: Scholarship Essay

### Rationale:

- The committee concluded that students should be able to compile an essay that addresses the topic between 300 – 500 words.
- The essay rubric will be developed by a committee comprised of secondary/post-secondary educators.

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address (use the one you check most frequently):** \_\_\_\_\_

### Scholarship Questionnaire

1. Have received other scholarships? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Total amount received \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*If yes, attach copies of awards and letters.*

2. Are you a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholar? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. Please list the college(s) where you have been accepted:

\_\_\_\_\_

### Category #1: Merit

**Test Scores – (only one test will be considered)**

SAT \_\_\_\_\_ OR ACT \_\_\_\_\_

**Cumulative Grade Point Average**

Weighted \_\_\_\_\_ Unweighted \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance – (through first 3 years)**

*Visit Tiffany McBride, Attendance Office, to complete this information.*

Attendance Rate \_\_\_\_\_%

Attendance Confirmed by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tiffany McBride

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Category #2: Community Involvement

### **Volunteer Experiences**

The contact person cannot be a relative. Student should make every effort to contact program coordinator(s) for letter (on letterhead) validating their service but will not be penalized if they do not receive.

List up to three (3) volunteer experiences:

*Please include the primary contact information.*

Volunteer Experience	Program Coordinator	Contact Information (Phone Number)
_____	_____	_____
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### **Employment**

Include your employment history on your resume. Student should make every effort to contact their former employer(s) for letters (on letterhead) validating the dates of their employment but will not be penalized if they do not receive.

### **Letters of Recommendation**

Student must submit one (1) and no more than three (3) letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from an academic teacher. Letters of recommendation can be used to validate volunteer or employment experiences.

## Category #3: School Involvement

Include in your resume details of your involvement in school, community, and faith-based activities including athletics, performing arts, and clubs. Include the years participated and any leadership positions held. If preferred, you may submit a resume including this information.

## Category #4: Scholarship Essay

- \* Essay is mandatory for all scholarship candidates.
- \* The essay must be typed and at least 300-500 words in length.
- \* Include the essay with your application.

**Topic:** How has your success in school prepared you for continued success in college?

## Application Checklist

Please review the following list of required materials to be included with this application:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application form pages 3-5
- \_\_\_\_\_ Official Transcript
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letters verifying volunteer experience and employment
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of School Activities/Community Involvement from Category #3 (or resume if preferred)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letters of recommendation (1-3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ FAFSA Student Aid Report