



# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF PONTIAC PONTIAC ALUMNI FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA



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## Pontiac Alumni Foundation Vision, Mission, and Objectives

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### *Vision*

- To play a significant role in improving the reading levels of all students by:
  - 1)Assisting the Pontiac School District in improving its statewide assessment scores
- Annually providing scholarships to students
- Increasing the number of student scholarships and teacher incentive awards
- Increasing the amount of scholarship money awarded
- Become a financially sound non-profit organization

### *Mission:*

- To provide resources to the Pontiac School District by raising funds to support initiatives of the District. Specifically, its mission seeks to:
  - Provide academic and financial resources to the Pontiac School District
  - Provide students, teachers, and administrators of the Pontiac School District with resources that will sustain academic improvement
  - Create a "Certainty of Opportunity" for students of the Pontiac School District by providing resources that support academic achievement

### *Objectives:*

*The Pontiac Alumni Foundation's objectives for 2023 are to provide:*

- Scholarships to high school seniors interested in higher education and/or skilled trades
- Teacher incentive awards to elementary, middle, and high school teachers
- Financial and needed resources for teachers and students throughout the Pontiac School District
- Mentors for students
- Partnerships with non-profits and other organizations
- Ideas and resources on how to best utilize the volunteer database
- A mechanism or process for connecting volunteers and creating new strategies for utilizing their talents in assisting the Foundation in its endeavors



# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Applications are available in the High School Counseling Office and on line within district website.  
<https://pontiacschools.org>.

For more information, contact Dr. Jaronique Devezin by e-mail at [jaronique.devezin@pontiacschools.org](mailto:jaronique.devezin@pontiacschools.org)



## How To Apply

In order to qualify you must do the following:

Submit your:

- Completed application
- Official high school transcript
- SAT scores
- At least 3 letters of recommendation
- Letter of acceptance

All items above must be submitted by Monday, April 28, 2025 to the 12th grade counselor, or mailed to:

**Pontiac Alumni Foundation  
Scholarship Committee  
Pontiac School Board  
47200 Woodward  
Pontiac, Michigan 48342**



## General Information:

- Students must be a graduate from a Pontiac High School of the Pontiac Public School District.
- At least three letters of recommendations from a school faculty/staff and one from the community must accompany all applications submitted.
- All correspondence must be typewritten.
- An official high school transcript must be submitted.
- There are fifteen (15) scholarships available for 2023 unless other funds become available.

## Criteria:

- Must be a current high school senior
- Minimum high school cumulative G.P.A. at least a 2.5.
- Must be a 2023 graduate from a High School of the Pontiac Public School District.
- Must complete 10 questions included in application.
- Must write a 350-500 word essay on "What Continuing Education means to me."

## Award Amount:

- The award amounts will vary depending upon the type of scholarship awards granted. The maximum will be in the amount of \$3,000 per year. All scholarship awards can be applied to any accredited community college, college, university, or trade school.
- Maximum award is for tuition and registration fees.
- Maximum book allowance covers fall, winter, spring, and summer semesters.

**Deadline: Monday, April 28, 2025**