

POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BERKS COUNTY, PA
2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES
(Revised October 2023)

1. Any Berks County (PA) High School senior of Polish American descent may apply who can provide evidence of Polish heritage.
2. The applicant shall be a resident of Berks County for at least four years prior to the date of application.
3. The application forms shall be available at each of the Berks County's high schools in care of the principal's office, their guidance counselor, from the Scholarship Secretary listed below or through our web site www.pabeberks.org.
4. The applications shall be completed by the applicant and be filed with the Board's Scholarship Secretary by **March 22, 2025**, with the following attachments:
 - A) It shall be the responsibility of THE STUDENT to ensure that all official SAT and/or ACT test scores (if available), along with their high school transcripts accompany the application.
 - B) Provide documentation from high school attending of class rank based on a 4.0 scale as opposed to a percent.
 - C) Explanation of why this scholarship should be granted.
 - D) Documentation providing evidence of Polish heritage. Acceptable documentation is deemed to be copies of birth, baptismal or marriage certificates of parents, grandparents or great-grandparents that can demonstrate such Polish ancestry. These copies should be accompanied by a hand-drawn family tree that shows such lineal heritage, DNA results through ANCESTRY or 23 AND ME.
5. Selection of all scholarship winners will be determined by the Scholarship Committee based upon information submitted from section (5) above. Each award and the amount shall be determined by the Board on an annual basis and shall be paid directly to the student. Receipt of Fall tuition payment must be received by the Treasurer before a check will be issued to the student. Student must be enrolled in an accredited college seeking a two or four year academic degree and must fulfill attendance consecutively.
6. Any applicant receiving a full tuition scholarship from any other source shall not be eligible for this scholarship. Scholarship money is not applicable to housing, books, laboratory fees or transportation.
7. The PABE Scholarship Awards Committee will give some preference to the children or grandchildren of active PABE members provided that the student is of Polish heritage.
8. **STUDENT AND/OR THEIR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT TO ACCEPT THE AWARD AT THE POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS PROGRAM ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025. INFORMATION ON THAT PROGRAM WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE WINNERS OF THESE SCHOLARSHIPS.**

Only completed documents/information will be accepted by the deadline date as stated above.

Completed applications and correspondence should be sent to:

Ms. Sandy Lubas Hummel
115 Watercress Drive
Birdsboro PA 19508
610-207-7065
sahummel@ptd.net

POLISH-AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BERKS COUNTY, PA
2025 - 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(10/2023)

NAME OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____
HOUSE # STREET NAME

CITY STATE ZIP DOB _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

EDUCATION:

ELEMENTARY _____ FROM _____ TO _____

JUNIOR HIGH _____ FROM _____ TO _____

SENIOR HIGH _____ FROM _____ TO _____

MY TWO OR FOUR-YEAR DEGREE COLLEGE _____
IN THE USA MAJORING IN _____

NAME OF FATHER OR GUARDIAN _____ NATIONALITY _____

NAME OF MOTHER (MAIDEN) _____ NATIONALITY _____

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR NEWSLETTER _____

ARE YOU OR YOUR PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)/GRANDPARENTS AN UP-TO-DATE DUES PAYING MEMBER OF THE POLISH AMERICAN BOARD OF EDUCATION OR ANY OTHER POLISH OR POLISH-AMERICAN CULTURAL OR SOCIAL ORGANIZATION? _____ IF YES, PLEASE LIST BELOW AND IDENTIFY FUNCTION(S):

APPLICANT AND PARENTS AND/OR GUARDIANS AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL OF THE PROVISIONS AND BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD AS PROMULGATED OR THAT MAY HEREAFTER BE ENACTED:

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR:

I, _____ RECOMMEND THE APPLICANT FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD. _____ APPLICANT GPA IS _____ (BASED ON 4% SCALE.
ATTACHED ARE COPIES OF THEIR HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC RECORD)

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE

DATE

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S SIGNATURE

DATE