

P.E.O. Star Scholarship 2025

The P.E.O. Star Scholarship is a highly esteemed award designed to support and recognize outstanding high school senior women who demonstrate excellence in leadership, academics, extra-curricular activities, community service, and potential for future success. Sponsored by the P.E.O. Sisterhood, a philanthropic organization that has empowered and educated women for over 150 years, this scholarship provides a one-time \$2,500 grant to multiple recipients who plan to pursue postsecondary education.

Understanding the Scholarship

The Star Scholarship stands for Scholastic Talent, Accomplishment, and Recognition. It specifically honors graduating seniors who embody the ideals of the P.E.O. Sisterhood and who have demonstrated exceptional promise as future leaders and contributors to society. The scholarship is awarded based on merit, not financial need, and aims to encourage young women to continue striving for excellence as they transition to college life.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Exhibit excellence in leadership, extra-curricular activities, community service, academics, and potential for future success
- Be a female student in the final year of secondary education (high school or equivalent) and be 20 years old or less at the end of the calendar year
- Be a citizen or legal resident of the U.S. or Canada
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution in the United States or Canada in the fall following graduation
- Be recommended by a local P.E.O. chapter (local O'Fallon IL Chapter NR)

Students must submit their application including a copy of their unofficial transcripts to the School Counseling Dept at OTHS by:

3pm Friday, September 19, 2025

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____ **Phone #:** _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Intended College: _____

Projected Major: _____

Cumulative Unweighted GPA: _____

Class Ranking: _____

ACTIVITIES:

- A. High school extracurricular activities and honors. Include leadership and offices held. Attach additional sheet if needed.**

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B. Activities and honors outside of school: community service, work, church, other community involvement. Include leadership and offices held. Attach additional sheet if needed.

Activity	Leadership	# of years

Please include a copy of your unofficial transcript with your application.

PEO chapter NR, O’Fallon IL, will select our STAR scholarship candidate in early October. Info will then be sent to our candidate regarding the rest of the application process, including 2 recommendation letters needed. STAR scholarship recipients will be notified in April 2026.

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