

**Mechanical Contractors Association of
Western Pennsylvania
Foster McCarl, Jr.
Scholarship Program Guidelines**

The MCA of Western Pennsylvania will recognize **four (4) outstanding students** by awarding each a scholarship. The **program winners will each receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship** a total of **four (4) scholarships will be awarded**. Recipients are well rounded individuals with deep interest and involvement in their communities. They spend time volunteering, have excellent academic performance, and are leaders in their schools through involvement in athletics, clubs, extra curricular activities and student government. They are the leaders of tomorrow.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in a two or four year program at an accredited college, university or Technical College for the 2026-2027 school year.
2. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in a Plumbing, HVAC, Mechanical Engineering, Construction/Project Management, Architecture, or other Construction related major.
3. Applicants must currently be a resident of one of the following counties in Pennsylvania: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Greene, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Venango, Warren, or Washington.
4. Scholarships are competitive and will be based upon:
 - a. A written essay, 500 words or less, on how Mechanical Contracting has improved the quality of life in Western Pennsylvania.
 - b. Academic standing of the student, notable academic awards and achievement.
 - c. Extracurricular activities, Volunteer activities, and Leadership.
 - d. Character reference.
5. Completed applications must be postmarked by **May 22, 2026** to be eligible for scholarships.
6. The Scholarship Committee will select 1st through 6th place finalists. The 5th and 6th place recipients will be deemed alternates. If for any reason the first through 4th place recipients become ineligible, then the alternates, according to finish, shall advance to receive the scholarship.
7. MCA of Western Pennsylvania reserves the right to disqualify entries not meeting the above criteria and reserves the right to change, revise or cancel the Scholarship awards after its announced intent to do so. The MCA of Western Pennsylvania reserves the right to waive any and all informalities in the award process.

**Mechanical Contractors Association of Western Pennsylvania
Foster McCarl, Jr.
2026 Scholarship Program Application**

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone # () _____

FAMILY

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Name(s) and age(s) of siblings: _____

If any are attending college, list school and years attended: _____

EDUCATION

High School, Vocational School, College	City	Year	Major
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

A. List any achievements, honors, awards you have won:

B. List any sports or extracurricular activities you participate in:

C. List any volunteer activities or hobbies:

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Name of School you have been accepted into or are enrolled in:

Address of School: _____

Intended Major: _____

REFERENCES

List people who can speak of your character, community involvement, personality, and social life. Do not list relatives. Please include your high school counselor as one of your references.

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS	PHONE
1. _____			
2. _____			
3. _____			

EMPLOYMENT RECORD

COMPANY NAME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF WORK	LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT

Enclose the following additional information with your application:

- Complete transcript of your grades (high school and post secondary)
- Current resume
- Acceptance letter from the Dean of Admissions of the School you plan on attending
- Attach a recent photograph
- SAT and/or ACT scores
- An essay, 500 words or less, on how Mechanical Contracting has improved the quality of life in Western Pennsylvania

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please be sure to answer all questions and that all required additional information is enclosed.
Mail your completed application postmarked by May 22, 2026 to:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
Mechanical Contractors Association
Of Western Pennsylvania
5131 Cypress Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15224