



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION
OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH

2018 Scholarship Application

Dates and Deadlines

Application Open: April 16, 2018
 Application Deadline: June 30, 2018 (email and postmarked date)
 Notification of Award(s): September 2018
 Announcement of Award(s): October 2018

How to Apply

Applicants will be evaluated on each component of their submission. All applicants are to submit the following:

1. Completed application form (application forms are available online at www.naehcy.org).
2. A personal essay (500-800 words, double spaced) that addresses the following questions:
 - a. How did homelessness impact your educational aspirations? How did you maintain your commitment to education while homeless?
 - b. How many times have you been homeless and for how long?
 - c. What are your future educational goals and how will this scholarship help you to accomplish those goals? Specifically, how would you use this scholarship, if awarded?
 - d. What are your long-term professional goals and career interests?

3. An official school transcript, include class ranking if available. If there are any barriers to obtaining an official school transcript, please contact us at scholarship@naehcy.org.
4. A letter from a local homeless education liaison, school official, outreach worker, shelter provider, religious leader, or other homeless service provider, confirming current or former homeless status.
5. A minimum of one letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor or other adult (not related) that can speak to the applicant's qualifications and experiences.

*letters may be included in application packet or mailed/emailed separately to scholarship@naehcy.org

NOTE: If selected for a scholarship award, you will be required to provide proof of post-secondary school or program enrollment prior to release of scholarship funds.

Submit completed scholarship applications to the NAEHCY Saturday, June 30, 2018, either by email at scholarship@naehcy.org or by mail at:

The National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth
 Attn: NAEHCY Scholarship Fund
 PO Box 26274
 Minneapolis, MN 55426

Eligibility

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Applicant must be under the age of 21 prior to the application due date;
- Applicant must be actively pursuing post-secondary education;
- Applicant must be homeless or have been homeless at any time during their school attendance. Parameters on homeless status are defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act (see below).

According to the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act, a person is considered homeless who "lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate night-time residence." This includes people living in shelters, cars, motels/hotels, campgrounds, or places not meant for human habitation. The definition includes children and youth who are living with friends or relatives temporarily (doubled-up or sharing the housing of others) because they lack permanent housing



2018 Application Form

Contact Information			
Last Name	First Name	DOB (MM/DD/YYYY)	Gender
Street Address			
City	State	Zip	
Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Email*	
High School or Recently Attended School			
High School Name		School Counselor or Trusted Teacher	
School Address			
Contact Person			
A contact person is someone who is in regular communication with the applicant and is able to reach him or her; for example: an employee at the most recent school attended, such as a counselor, teacher, social worker, coach, or an employee of a community agency, such as a counselor, case manager, or shelter director.			
Name		Title	
Contact Number		Email	

Postsecondary Education
SAT/ACT Score (most recent)
Anticipated Field(s) of Study
Anticipated Colleges/ Universities (so state if you have been accepted)
Anticipated Financial Aid (loans, scholarships, grants, money from family, etc.)
Anticipated Support (family, friends, counselor, mentor, pastor, etc.)

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How did you hear about this scholarship?
If awarded, are you interested in attending an award ceremony?
If awarded, would you be interested in participating in a forum to tell educators and policy professional what worked well with your education and what could be improved?
If awarded, you would be interested in joining the NAEHCY alumni network and potentially mentoring other future scholars?

Signature	Date
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* Please provide an email address; we would like to send you confirmation that your application was received and being considered for an award.