



Scholarship applications are now available for the 2017-2018 Academic Year. Scholarships will be awarded in August 2017.

The Architectural Ironworkers Industry Advancement Trust Fund, a non-profit organization funded by contributions from companies that employ members of Local #63, awards college scholarships to children of Local #63 members and children of employees at companies that employ Local #63 workers.

*If you are a member of Local #63,
your children may be eligible for a scholarship.*

*If you work at a company that employs Local #63 members,
your children may be eligible for a scholarship.*

Who is eligible to apply?

All children of active Local #63 members and children of employees at companies that employ Local #63 members are eligible to apply. Applicants must also be U.S. citizens and attend (or will attend) an accredited college or university on a full-time basis. A.I.I. considers full-time basis to be two semesters in one year with no less than 12 credit hours per semester.

How many scholarships will be awarded?

The A.I.I. Board of Trustees will determine the number of scholarships awarded and the amounts of the scholarships on an annual basis. For the 2017-2018 academic year, A.I.I. has decided to award a scholarship of \$2,000.00 to each of the top five (5) applicants.

How many scholarships can I receive?

If all information is submitted on time, each recipient can receive a maximum of 4 scholarships during his/her full-time undergraduate studies. Scholarships are awarded only for undergraduate studies.

Are there any special considerations if I received a scholarship for \$2,000.00 for the 2016-2017 academic year?

Yes. You must check the appropriate box on the form and provide the requested information. You do not have to complete the entire application. In August 2017, you will receive your \$2,000.00 scholarship check provided you have maintained a cumulative GPA of C or better and a full course load of two semesters per year each with no less than 12 credit hours per semester.

Are there any special considerations if I received a scholarship LESS THAN \$2,000.00 for the 2016-2017 academic year?

Yes. Beginning in 2015, we changed the scholarship award process. Under the old process, A.I.I. awarded multiple small scholarships to multiple students. Under the new (current) process, A.I.I. awards five (5) \$2,000.00 scholarships.

If you received a scholarship for less than \$2,000.00 for the 2016-2017 year, you have two options:

1. *Receive the same scholarship amount that you previously received.* If you choose this option, you must check the appropriate box on the form and provide the requested information. You do not have to complete the entire application. In August 2017, you will receive your scholarship check in the same amount that was paid to you in 2016 provided you have maintained a cumulative GPA of C or better and a full course load of two semesters per year each with no less than 12 credit hours per semester.
2. *Enter the application pool for the opportunity to receive a \$2,000.00 scholarship.* If you choose this option, you must provide the requested information. Your application will be reviewed and ranked against all applicants. In August 2017, you will be informed if you did or did not receive a scholarship. If you are awarded one of the five (5) scholarships that are available, you will receive a \$2,000.00 scholarship check.

Is each applicant awarded a scholarship?

Not necessarily, although this may happen depending upon the number of scholarships to be awarded. Applications will be scored according to the criteria outlined on the following pages.

How do students apply?

All candidates must submit a written application. An application is enclosed as part of this document. Alternatively, the application is now available for download from the Iron League of Chicago website (www.ironleagueofchicago.org). Personal interviews with the Scholarship Committee may be required.

When are applications due?

Applications will be accepted at the Iron League of Chicago office through July 31, 2017. Applications may be sent by postal mail, email or fax. All required information must be postmarked or time-stamped by midnight on July 31, 2017 in order for applicants to be considered. You will receive an email when we receive your application. *Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.*

How are applicants notified of their scholarship application status?

All applicants will be notified of their status by email before August 31, 2017.

If a student is awarded a scholarship, how and when does he/she receive the funds?

Checks payable to the student will be distributed by August 31, 2017. It is the student's responsibility to apply the funds towards his/her educational expenses.

How are the applications reviewed?

All information that can identify a specific applicant (name, address, email address, etc.) will be removed during the review process. A.I.I. works with an outside provider who will compile all statistical information into a spreadsheet. The outside provider will score each application according to the scoring criteria described on the next page. The completed spreadsheet will be distributed to the Scholarship Committee for review. The Scholarship Committee will review the recommendations and award scholarships based on the scores.

How are applications scored?

Each application is scored on the following criteria and has a maximum of 40 points.

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| <i>School Activity</i> | <i>12.5% weighting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 points if the student provides a signed letter from a coach or club sponsor verifying the student's activity at the school• 0 points if there is no letter or an unsigned letter |
| <i>Work Activity</i> | <i>12.5% weighting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 points if the student provides a signed letter from an employer verifying the student's employment• 0 points if there is no letter or an unsigned letter |
| <i>ACT/SAT Score</i> | <i>12.5% weighting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A maximum of 5 points will be awarded based on the applicant's test score. The applicant's test score will be calculated on a percentage basis and then applied to a possible 5 points.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- ACT Example: Sally scored 24 out of 36 on the ACT. This is calculated to be 66.7% ($24 / 36 = 0.667$). Sally will be awarded 3.33 points out of 5 ($0.667 \times 5 = 3.33$).- SAT Example: John scored 1300 out of 2400 on the SAT. This is calculated to be 58.3% ($1300 / 2400 = 0.583$). John will be awarded 2.92 points out of 5 ($0.583 \times 5 = 2.92$). |
| <i>GPA</i> | <i>12.5% weighting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A maximum of 5 points will be awarded based on the applicant's latest GPA. The applicant's test score will be calculated on a percentage basis and then applied to a possible 5 points.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Example: Juan's GPA is 3.5 out a 4.0. This is calculated to be 87.5% ($3.5 / 4 = 0.875$). Juan will be awarded 4.38 points out of 5 ($0.875 \times 5 = 4.38$). |

-- SCORING CRITERIA CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE --

Essay

50.0% weighting

- Each student must present an essay of approximately 300 words on “What the Construction Industry Means to Me”. A maximum of 20 points will be awarded based on the following:

0-2 points	Headline
	- 0 points for no headline
	- 1 point for a headline that is different from the topic
	- 2 points for a headline that is the same as the topic
0-5 points	Grammar, Punctuation and Capitalization
	- 0 points for more than 10 mistakes
	- 1 point for 10 mistakes
	- 2 points for 8-9 mistakes
	- 3 points for 5-7 mistakes
	- 4 points for 1-4 mistakes
	- 5 points for no mistakes
0-13 points	Essay Content, including accuracy and originality

*If you have any questions,
please contact the
Iron League of Chicago
(information provided below).*



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This scholarship program is sponsored by the Architectural Iron Industry Advancement Trust Fund, a non-profit organization funded by contributions from companies that employ members of Local # 63. Scholarships will be awarded in August 2017. Please **print** or **type** neatly; **illegible** or **sloppy** applications will be rejected.

Complete applications, including any information sent in by others, must be postmarked or time-stamped by midnight on July 31, 2017 in order to be considered.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/St/Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____

SECTION 1

ALL APPLICANTS MUST CHOOSE ONE BOX IN THIS SECTION.

MY PARENT IS A MEMBER OF LOCAL #63.

Name of Parent in Local #63: _____

Union Membership Number: _____

MY PARENT IS EMPLOYED BY A COMPANY THAT EMPLOYS LOCAL #63 MEMBERS.

Name of Parent: _____

Name of Company: _____

Company's Telephone: _____

SECTION 2

COMPLETE THIS SECTION **ONLY** IF YOU ARE RENEWING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP.

College/University You Attended in Fall 2016: _____

College/University You Will Attend in Fall 2017: _____

Year You Will Start in Fall 2017 (Freshman, Sophomore, etc.): _____

Please attach a copy of your *latest transcript*. A legible printout from the internet is acceptable.

The Scholarship Committee requires proof of enrollment for Fall 2017. Please attach *Verification of Enrollment* from the College or University that you plan to attend in Fall 2017.

SECTION 3

COMPLETE THIS SECTION **ONLY** IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR ONE OF THE NEW \$2,000.00 SCHOLARSHIPS. THE TOP FIVE APPLICANTS WILL EACH RECEIVE A \$2,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP AND WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO RENEW THEIR SCHOLARSHIPS IN FUTURE YEARS IF THEY HOLD AT LEAST A "C" AVERAGE AND ATTEND SCHOOL FULL-TIME.

Your High School / City / Graduation Year: _____

College or University You Will Attend in Fall 2017: _____

Your College Major: _____

Your College Minor (if any): _____

Year You Will Start in Fall 2017 (Freshman, Sophomore, etc.): _____

Expected Graduation Year: _____

Your Scholarship Application will be scored using the following system:

Part A	12.5%	School Activity – 5 Possible Points
Part B	12.5%	Work Activity – 5 Possible Points
Part C	12.5%	ACT/SAT Score – 5 Possible Points
Part D	12.5%	Most Recent GPA – 5 Possible Points
Part E	50.0%	Essay – 20 Possible Points
ALL	100.0%	TOTAL – 40 Possible Points

A higher score means a higher ranking against your peers. Scholarships will be awarded to the applicants who have the highest scores. Please read the questions carefully and answer the questions on the following page truthfully and to the best of your knowledge.

Part A – School Activity – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

- Yes, I participated in a school activity between June 1, 2016 and May 31, 2017. To receive maximum points, include (or have sent) a signed letter from a coach or club sponsor verifying that you participated.
- No, I did not participate in a school activity between June 1, 2016 and May 31, 2017.

Part B – Work Activity – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

- Yes, I worked between June 1, 2016 and May 31, 2017. To receive maximum points, include (or have sent) a signed letter from your employer verifying that you worked and the dates that you worked.
- No, I did not work between June 1, 2016 and May 31, 2017.

Part C – ACT/SAT Score – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

- Yes, I took the ACT and have attached a copy of my test results.
- Yes, I took the SAT and have attached a copy of my test results
- No, I did not take either the ACT or the SAT.

Part D – GPA – 5 Possible Points – 12.5% Weighting

Please have your school (high school or college) send us a copy of your most recent transcript.

Part E – Essay – 20 Possible Points – 50.0% Weighting

Please write an essay of approximately 300 words about the topic "What the Construction Industry Means to Me". You will be graded on your headline, grammar, punctuation, capitalization and essay content (included accuracy and originality). Please use Times New Roman font (type size 12) and use double spacing. Please attach your essay to this application.

The Scholarship Committee requires proof of enrollment for Fall 2017. Please attach *Verification of Enrollment* from the College or University that you plan to attend in Fall 2017.

SECTION 4

ALL APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION.

I verify that the information provided in this application is true.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

I represent and pledge that any funds received will be used solely for educational purposes.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

CHECKLIST – IF YOU COMPLETED SECTION 2.
Please make sure that you have completed all steps.

- Complete Page 1 of the application (make sure to also complete Section 1).
- Complete Section 2 of the application.
- DO NOT COMPLETE SECTION 3.
- Complete Section 4 of the application.
- Enclose (or have sent) a copy of your most recent transcript.
- Enclose Verification of Enrollment from the College or University that you plan to attend in Fall 2017.

CHECKLIST – IF YOU COMPLETED SECTION 3.
Please make sure that you have completed all steps.

- Complete Page 1 of the application (make sure to also complete Section 1).
- DO NOT COMPLETE SECTION 2.
- Complete Section 3 of the application.
 - o Complete Part A. If applicable, attach a signed letter from your coach or club sponsor.
 - o Complete Part B. If applicable, attach a signed letter from your employer.
 - o Complete Page C. If applicable, attach a copy of your test results.
 - o Complete Part D. Contact your high school or college and ask the school to send us a copy of your most recent transcript.
 - o Complete Part E. Attach your essay to this application.
- Complete Section 4 of the application.
- Attach Verification of Enrollment from the College or University that you plan to attend in Fall 2017.

Mail, scan or fax all required information by midnight on July 31, 2017 to:

**ARCHITECTURAL IRON INDUSTRY ADVANCEMENT TRUST FUND
c/o IRON LEAGUE OF CHICAGO
500 N. Michigan Ave. #600
Chicago, IL 60611**

F: 773-442-0968

E: office@ironleagueofchicago.org AND jean@jfmholdingsinc.com

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Industry Advancement Fund at 773-442-8330 or at office@ironleagueofchicago.org.