

**Pharos Academy Charter School  
2022 Scholarship Award**

**Details**

The Pharos Academy Charter School (PHACS) 2022 Scholarship Award is a financial award that will be presented to the scholar that best embodies the qualities of a Pharos Academy Charter School scholar.

**Award(s)**

Award One:

- \$1,500 to be awarded to the winning scholar for each year they are enrolled in post-secondary education, up to a maximum of four years (maximum total amount of the award will be \$6,000)

Award Two:

- \$1,500 to be awarded to the winning scholar for each year they are enrolled in post-secondary education, up to a maximum of four years (maximum total amount of the award will be \$6,000) via the Roberto Granado scholarship
- Career guidance and mentoring to the recipients by a PHACS Board member

Award Three:

- \$500 to be awarded to the winning scholar for each year they are enrolled in post-secondary education, up to a maximum of four years (maximum total amount of the award will be \$2,000) via the Cortevo scholarship
- Award will go to a scholar pursuing studies/a career in STEM

**Requirements**

All applicants must:

- be a senior enrolled at Pharos Academy Charter School
- have filed their FAFSA paperwork at the time of submission
- have applied to a post-secondary education opportunity
- be in good standing as a PHACS scholar (2.5 or higher GPA)
- adhere to the process as described below

**Prompt**

Pharos is the ancient greek word for "beacon of light". Nelson Mandela once said: "And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same". We believe that scholars will leave these doors and light up the world around them. You have learned the skills of communication, intellectual curiosity and problem solving. How will you use these principles to make a difference in your community? What does it mean to you to let your light shine brightly?

We want you to express yourself but efficiency is also important in communication. We recommend 1-2 pages (500 - 1000 words) typed.

**Process**

| Date                  | Stage                                                                                           | Note(s)                                                                                                                                   |
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| January 2022          | Board finalizes Scholarship Award details                                                       |                                                                                                                                           |
| February 2022         | Opportunity is shared with PHACS scholars via Parent Square and is reinforced in their Advisory | A ParentSquare message with the <a href="#">application</a> link will be shared with all seniors by the school's Chief Operations Officer |
| April 8, 2022         | <a href="#">Scholar applications</a> are due at 4:00 p.m.                                       |                                                                                                                                           |
| April 8, 2022 through | Scholarship sub-committee reviews                                                               | TS, SB, AN, TP, JS                                                                                                                        |

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| April 22, 2022         | applications received and selects five finalists                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| April 23, 2022         | Scholarship sub-committee shares finalist information with the Board via email |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Week of April 25, 2022 | Five finalists are contacted via email informing them of their status          | PHACS' Chief Operations Officer contacts finalists                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| May 19, 2022           | Five finalists attend the May 2022 PHACS Board meeting via Zoom                | <p>Five finalists attend the PHACS May Board meeting (ten minutes each) to respond to the following prompt and answer questions the Board has for them</p> <p>Prompt:<br/>Tell us about a personal difficulty or obstacle that you've overcome to achieve a goal or solve a problem that seemed unachievable or unsolvable</p> |
| May 23, 2022           | Winner(s) are notified via phone call from Board Chair and/or Principal        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| June 2022              | Winner(s) are formally recognized at the PHACS graduation ceremony             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |