

Cowanesque Chapter #33 Order of the Eastern Star

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To: Guidance Office

From: Scholarship Committee, Cowanesque Chapter #33 Order of the Eastern Star

Date: March 17, 2025

Enclosed is the application for the Cowanesque Chapter #33 Order of the Eastern Star Scholarship that is being offered to the members of the graduating class of 2024-2025. Please have interested seniors complete the application and essay, and obtain the necessary letters of recommendation and official transcript. Students should submit all items to your office by Friday, May 2, 2025. Please mail all materials to the address listed below and include a name, email address, and phone number of the contact person in your office. Once the committee has made their decision we will notify your office and make arrangements for awarding the scholarship. Your assistance with this process is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

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Dear Graduating Senior,

The Cowanesque Chapter #33 Order of the Eastern Star is interested in the education and success of the young people of this area. It is with this interest that we are offering you the chance to apply for our scholarship.

The scholarship is available to a graduating senior from your high school that plans to attend a four or two-year college or technical school. This scholarship will be available at the beginning of the second term of your first year of post high school education. The announcement of this award will be made at your graduation ceremonies or senior awards ceremony. This year six scholarships will be awarded, one in each of the following high schools; Galeton , Wellsboro, Cowanesque Valley, Williamson, North Penn-Mansfield, and North Penn-Liberty. Each scholarship that will be awarded this year will be in the amount of \$150.00.

Applicants will be individually evaluated and selected by a Scholarship Committee comprised of members representing Cowanesque Chapter #33 OES. In order to be considered, you must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a senior of your respective high school.
2. Have been a student of your high school for at least two years.
3. Have been accepted by an accredited college or technical school as approved by the committee prior to the scholarship deadline.
4. Be accomplished in your field of expertise showing competence through grades, awards, etc., and from letters of recommendation from **two** or more instructors-one being from an instructor other than in the field of study.
5. Present with this application an additional **two** letters of recommendation other than the ones mentioned in #4 above such as from a principal, minister, guidance counselor, employer, etc., excluding relatives. Preference will be given to recommendations made by members of the Order of the Eastern Star (excluding family members).
6. Present with this application written permission to request and use your high school transcripts or other supporting documents if deemed necessary and submit an official high school transcript.

Scholarships will be awarded on all-around general merit although scholastic achievement will be a factor. Financial need is not a criterion for this award. In the event that the Committee feels that no applicant is eligible, no scholarship will be awarded. The final decision on awarding the scholarships will be made by the Scholarship Committee in its exclusive discretion.

Please complete the application and essay, attach the necessary letters of recommendation (4) and official transcript, and return to the school office on or before Friday, May 2, 2025.

With the rising cost of education, we know that it will not only be an honor, but also a help to receive this award. We will be waiting to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Cowanesque #33 OES Scholarship Committee

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List any other **activities, interests, or accomplishments** that you have made during your high school career.

Essay: In no more than 500 words, prepare an essay describing your career goals, your reasons for wishing to study in the field you have chosen, and why you should be selected to receive this scholarship. Keep in mind that financial need is not one of the criteria for selection for this scholarship. Your essay should be typed and attached to the application.