

Children's Librarians Association of Suffolk County

Amy Wahl Scholarship for Professional Development

PURPOSE

We establish this scholarship in honor of Amy Wahl and recognize her significant contributions to both the community of Hampton Library, to CLASC and to the field of children's librarianship. Amy Wahl was a wonderful youth services librarian. She spent years serving the community of Hampton Library in both the Children's and Teen departments. Amy also was a dedicated CLASC, Inc. member and served for years on our literature committee.

The presentation will be made by the Children's Librarians Association of Suffolk County (CLASC) in the amount of \$300.00.

ELIGIBILITY

The Amy Wahl Scholarship will be given to a librarian who is pursuing career-related professional development that will enhance and contribute to their library duties, as well as benefit libraries. The applicant must be employed by a Suffolk County library and working in the field of children's librarianship in a public library. The applicant must be a member of CLASC in good standing. Former recipients of this award may not apply again. In the event that no applicants satisfy the selection criteria in a given year, no scholarship will be awarded, with the option to grant additional scholarships the following year.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING

1. Complete the attached application. 2. Attach a no more than 300-word typed statement discussing the professional development opportunities you wish to pursue and how it would benefit your library and community. 3. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation.

DEADLINE

Complete application, including personal statement and letters of recommendation must be received by the scholarship committee chairperson by November 3, 2025. Please contact Diane Darcy at 631-581-5933 or email ddarcy@isliplib.org.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

Diane Darcy
Chairperson, 2025 Amy Wahl Scholarship for Professional Development
Islip Public Library
71 Monell Avenue
Islip, New York 11751

AWARD PRESENTATION

Candidates will be selected by a committee of CLASC, Inc. members and the recipient will be announced at CLASC's Annual Membership Meeting in December.

Children's Librarians Association of Suffolk County, Inc.
Application for 2025 Amy Wahl Scholarship for Professional Development

Personal Information:

Name (Last, First, Middle)
Address Telephone Number

Education:

<u>College Dates Attended Course of Study Degree Earned</u>

Work Experience:

Include dates and please list experience related to libraries and/or children's services first

MEMBERSHIPS: Please list all community and other organizations you are a member of, as well as honor societies, scholarships, awards, prizes or honors you may have received.

COMMUNITY/CIVIC/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES (brief description with dates):

PERSONAL STATEMENT: Please provide, on a separate page, a personal statement of not more than 300 words regarding your commitment and dedication to libraries and library service. Please explain how the education you are pursuing will enhance and contribute to your library duties, as well as benefit the library.

REFERENCES: Please submit two (2) letters of recommendation. Persons (excluding family) who are well acquainted with your educational background, intellectual abilities, personal character and commitment to librarianship are best to write a letter on your behalf.

I have read the instructions for filing an application and acknowledge that I am a current member of CLASC. I agree to the conditions of this award and I certify that the above statements are correct and complete.

Signature_____ Date_____

RETURN THIS FORM TO:

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