

Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists

MASFPS Scholarship Program 2025 Overview

Member Benefit: One of the benefits of being a member of the Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists (MASFPS) is that students enrolled in public school districts or charter schools where members work are eligible for the MASFPS Scholarship Program. Because MI is a "joint membership" state with NAFEPA (National Association of Federal Education Program Administrators), all MASFPS members are also NAFEPA members, making students eligible for the NAFEPA scholarship program as well. (New Members welcomed! Go to www.masfps.org and click Join Us.)

Purpose of the Scholarship Program: To promote student access to a variety of post-secondary educational opportunities and mitigate factors that might inhibit students from pursuing their career and life goals.

2025 MASFPS Program Enhancements: The MASFPS Scholarship Committee is excited to announce several enhancements to our 2025 scholarship program. With the Board's full support, MASFPS will award up to *four* state scholarships of \$2000 each. The top scholarship recipient receives a *second award of \$2000* the following year, per the eligibility criteria stated below. Also for the first time in 2025, MASFPS will designate one scholarship award for a candidate pursuing a certificate, license, or degree in the *field of education*.

MASFPS Selection Process & NAFEPA Nominations: Selection of the State recipients is based on the NAFEPA scholarship application and scoring guidelines. MASFPS nominates two state recipients to be considered for one of the four scholarships awarded by NAFEPA Scholarship Program. The State nominees are considered for one of four <u>NAFEPA Scholarships</u>.

Student Eligibility: The MASFPS and NAFEPA Scholarship programs are open to any candidate meeting all of the following criteria:

- High school senior on track to graduate by the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year;
- Enrolled in a public school district or charter school (public school academy) with at least one current MASFPS/NAFEPA member (Contact Kimberly Funnell, <u>funnellkj@midlandps.org</u>, to check membership.);
- Pursuing a degree, license, certification, or other professional or vocational endorsement at a post-secondary institution beginning in 2025-2025 and continuing in 2025-2026.
- Year two recipients must be in good academic standing. Specific eligibility criteria for Year two will be shared with recipients when they are notified of their awards.

Application packets are due by Jan. 8, 2025. Refer to the application for instructions.

Application Documents are available at www.masfps.org/awardsandscholarships.

Questions? Contact Kimberly Funnell, MASFPS Scholarship Chair, funnellkj@midlandps.org