



MAINE BETTER TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION Kenneth W. Burrill Scholarship

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES

The MBTA Kenneth W. Burrill Scholarship is a \$1,500 named scholarship established by the MBTA Educational Foundation, to honor the memory of a dynamic transportation and construction leader who served as past president and long-time advocate of the Maine Better Transportation Association. The scholarship was established in 2008 by the Foundation and will start awarding an annual scholarship in 2009.

Ken Burrill served in various capacities in the construction industry in Maine. He had a long history with H.E. Sargent and affiliated companies, and his last construction job was as president of Bridgecorp. The final portion of his career was dedicated to owning and running his own consultant company, which wove together his various talents, including strong technical skills, and exceptional communications skills. He had a passion for construction, and for raising awareness of the need to improve Maine's business climate through increased investment in Maine's infrastructure. Ken also had a passion for politics, having served as finance chair for some of Maine's most prominent politicians, particularly U.S. Senator Susan Collins, who was a close friend. He also raised money for U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe, and many other Republican candidates running for statewide office.

Ken was a past president of MBTA, and also a past president of AGC Maine. (AGC Maine has also established a scholarship in his name). Ken was the chief fundraiser for statewide highway and transportation bond referendum campaigns for over 30 years. He was also a great writer, and was proud of his liberal arts education, having majored in English at Nasson College. For his leadership, he won many awards, including MBTA's highest award – the Maine Transportation Achievement Award, and the AGC's Major Achievement in Construction Award.

The Kenneth W. Burrill scholarship is available to any Maine resident accepted or already enrolled in a transportation-related program at any post-secondary institution in Maine. Preference will be given to students who have worked in the transportation or construction field, or who have shown other indications that construction is their career of choice.

1. Recipients must meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - Students with a liberal arts background, who have switched gears with an eye toward a career in construction;
 - Students enrolled in an engineering or construction management program at a community college or university, and who have demonstrated the express desire to work in the construction industry;
 - Students who have volunteered or raised money for infrastructure issues in Maine.
2. Applicants are required to write an essay (minimum of 150 words) describing why they wish to pursue a transportation or construction-related career.
3. Applicants must include a transcript or send separately to MBTA, 146 State Street, Augusta, ME 04330.
4. Applications must be **received** by June 30, 2017 for the 2017-2018 academic year. Applications and required documents should be mailed to MBTA, 146 State Street, Augusta, ME 04330, or emailed to deanna@mbtaonline.org. If possible, please include a résumé.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please print clearly or type all information.

Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___

Cell No. _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mailing Address _____

Father's Occupation: _____ Father's Income: \$ _____

Mother's Occupation: _____ Mother's Income: \$ _____

Family's Gross Income (all sources): _____

How much have you earned toward your education? _____

Have you received any scholarships/awards to be used for post-secondary education? Yes No

If yes, which ones:

List any jobs you have had in the past two years: (may be on attached résumé) _____

High School and Year Graduated: _____

School currently attending or accepted to: _____

Major: _____ Anticipated Degree & Graduation Year: _____

Other education: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please include a statement (minimum of 150 words) of your interest in transportation as a career. A transcript is required. Deadline for receipt of applications and all required documents is June 30, 2017 for the 2017-2018 academic year. Please use additional sheets if necessary. All information will remain strictly confidential.

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