



MAINE BETTER TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION

Transportation Trailblazer Scholarship

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES

The Maine Better Transportation Association (MBTA) is a statewide, non-profit coalition that advocates for funding for Maine's transportation infrastructure. Members include organizations and individuals who plan, design, build, maintain and use Maine's transportation network. The MBTA believes that investment in transportation infrastructure is integral to improving Maine's economy.

MBTA has an Educational Foundation that awards scholarships to Maine residents pursuing transportation-related fields of study. MBTA has established a new sustaining scholarship – the MBTA Transportation Trailblazer Scholarship - for a student who may receive the annual award for up to four years, provided the student retains a grade point average of 3.0 or above, and remains in a program leading to a career in transportation or construction.

The scholarship is open to any Maine student who meets the criteria (below), including students already enrolled in a degree program, or recently accepted to one. Preference may be given to students who have worked in the transportation or construction field, or who have shown other indications that construction or transportation is their career of choice. Students who are active MBTA members or family members of active MBTA members are eligible, as are those with an interest in advocating for increase investment in Maine's transportation infrastructure.

1. Transportation Trailblazer Scholarship Criteria:
 - Students must have completed high school or the equivalent, and be accepted or enrolled in a relevant program of study
 - Relevant programs of study include civil engineering, construction management, construction trades, marine, rail or aviation studies, heavy equipment operation, diesel mechanic or other such programs
 - Students with demonstrated financial need are given preference over those without need.
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 clearly print 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 provided by applicants will remain strictly confidential.

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