

Pennsylvania Association of Student Councils Summer Leadership Camp Scholarships 2017



PASC is proud to offer the following scholarships for the 2017 Summer Camp program. Each scholarship has different qualifications and requirements. All scholarship applications must be submitted electronically by **May 1, 2017** to scholarships@pasc.net. Students can apply for more than one scholarship, but a separate application must be submitted for each scholarship they wish to be considered. Each email application should include the completed scholarship form (found on the last page of this document), electronic versions of any requirements including letters of recommendation and essays, and a clear distinction* for which scholarship you are asking to be considered. *Please be sure to pay special attention to the requirements you need to submit as each scholarship application varies.*

**Please include scholarship name in your email subject line.*

PASC Partial Scholarships

Five separate partial scholarships, each worth \$200, are available to attend any PASC Summer Camp

Five \$200 scholarships will be awarded to students demonstrating financial need and desire to attend a PASC Summer Camps (Blue, Gold, or Advanced Gold levels).

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must complete the scholarship application which includes: completed application form, a 500 word essay indicating financial need and why the applicant wants to attend a PASC Leadership Camp, and an advisor recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

Caroline Steliotes Scholarship

Two separate full scholarships each worth \$400 are available to PASC Gold Camp ONLY

The Caroline Steliotes Scholarship started as a Christmas gift to Caroline who said her Christmas wish was to give someone else the life changing opportunity she had through PASC Summer Camps. Caroline came to her first summer camp as a frightened junior high student who suffered through homesickness during the nights but stuck it out because of the quality of the program. Caroline credits PASC for the development of her leadership abilities and courage.

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must complete the scholarship application, including a 500 word essay indicating financial need and why the applicant wants to attend a PASC Gold Camp, and an advisor recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

George Meyer Scholarship

*Two school scholarships are available to attend a Blue or Gold Camp.
Each selected school will receive two (2) half paid scholarships for a Blue or Gold Camp.*

The PASC organization was saddened by the April 19, 2008 death of George Meyer. George advised the Bethel Park High School student council for many years. During his time at Bethel Park, George became a national leader in leadership education. His creation of a leadership class curriculum became the model for many others across the country. Under George's guidance, Bethel Park High School hosted the 1980 PASC State Conference setting a standard for state conference programs. In 1985, Bethel Park became the fourth PASC school to host a NASC Conference, again setting new standards for conference programs and community hospitality. George served on the NASC Executive Board, was active in NAWD promoting the ideals established by his mentor, Dr. Earl Reum, and was PASC District 3 Director. George's participation in PASC Summer Leadership camps began in 1978 as a staff member and evolved in the early 1980's as he became director of the Grove City Gold camp program for nearly twenty years. George's leadership and advice to PASC will be sorely missed. He was truly the "Big Guy" in leadership education in Pennsylvania and a champion of the positive role that students can play in every leadership situation.

The advisor must apply to qualify for this scholarship; Two half scholarships will be awarded to two students from the same school who are in need and could not otherwise attend summer leadership camps. The students must attend the same Blue or Gold camp. Along with the application, please submit an essay telling us why your school deserves this scholarship and why your school selected the two (2) particular students, along with why your council is in need of this scholarship.

Jennifer O'Mara Susquehanna Scholarship

One full scholarship worth \$400 is available to PASC Susquehanna Gold Camp ONLY

The Jennifer O'Mara Susquehanna Scholarship started as a birthday surprise to Jenn from her fiance, Brad. Brad wanted to create an opportunity for another student in Pennsylvania to have a similar life-changing experience that Jenn received as a high school student attending PASC Summer Camps. In 2003, Jenn's father died by suicide and her family moved to a new neighborhood and a new school district. At Interboro, Jenn struggled to find a place to fit in. During her junior year, she attended PASC Susquehanna Gold Summer Camp and finally found a place, and a group of people, that felt like home. Jenn has remained involved with PASC since 2007, serving in various capacities including a teacher at summer camp and Alumni Coordinator on PASC's Executive Board of Directors. Jenn credits PASC for the development of her leadership abilities, her exceptional organization skills, and the courage to overcome adversity.

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must complete the scholarship application, in addition to a 500-700 word essay indicating financial need and how the student has either personally overcome adversity or been inspired by someone else who has overcome adversity. The applicant must also include an advisor or teacher recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

Grove City Gold Starfish Scholarship

One partial scholarship worth \$300 is available to PASC Grove City Gold Camp ONLY

The Grove City Gold Starfish Scholarship was established to reward a service-oriented student who desires to attend Grove City Gold Summer Leadership Camp by evaluating a need in their community and how camp would positively influence their personal circumstance

To qualify for this scholarship, each applicant should submit the scholarship application in addition to a photograph (or a series of photographs) depicting a need in their community (no more than 5 photographs per application). To accompany the photo(s), each applicant must write a short essay on the need in their community, a possible solution, and how attending Grove City Gold might help them acquire the skills necessary to put a solution into motion. The applicant should try to include why they may not have had access to an opportunity such as a leadership camp were it not for a scholarship such as this. The essay should be no more than 700 words. In addition, the applicant must include an advisor or teacher recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

Erich Schwartzel Scholarship

*One full scholarship worth \$400 is available to PASC Blue or Gold Camps ONLY
Preference given to a D4 Delegate*

Erich Schwartzel attended his first PASC workshop more than 15 years ago, and continued with the organization through Advanced Gold before returning as a counselor for three years. Now 30 years old, he credits the lessons and people of PASC with providing leadership lessons and inspiration he still calls on every day. This scholarship was created to allow a student the same life-changing, years-spanning experience.

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must complete the scholarship application, including a 500 word essay answering one of the questions listed below. In addition, the applicant must include an advisor recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

Essay Questions:

1. How has PASC and/or Student Council impacted your life?
2. Describe your best Student Council project and your role in the project.
3. What impact do you wish to have on your school/council/ classmates by attending a summer workshop.
4. What leadership qualities do you feel you demonstrate. What qualities do you wish to acquire/improve?

PASC Advanced Gold Summer Camp Scholarship

Two separate partial scholarships, each worth \$265, are available to PASC Advanced Gold Camp only

This scholarship is designed to help students with financial need. Thus, the applicant should otherwise not be able to attend the Advanced Gold Summer Camp if they did not receive this scholarship. Although any student eligible to attend Advanced Gold may apply for this scholarship, financial need will be a large determining factor in awarding this scholarship. Scholarship recipients are expected to attend the Advanced Gold Summer Camp if selected for this award. They will be asked to commit to attending by the “early bird” deadline for camp registration but will not need to submit final payment until the “regular” payment deadline. In addition, to qualify for these awards, students must be eligible to attend the PASC Advanced Gold Summer Camp in 2017 and not be receiving any other funding from any PASC source, whether from another PASC scholarship source, board support, or financial support from their district board, to attend the Advanced Gold Summer Camp.

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must complete the scholarship application, including several essays. They must also secure an advisor recommendation detailing the student's dedication to student council and leadership.

Student Essays:

Please make sure you respond to EACH of these prompts in a SEPARATE essay. Please limit yourself to 500 words per response.

1. You have already had the opportunity to attend the Gold PASC Summer Camp. Please explain your desire to attend the Advanced Gold camp and why you would not be able to attend the PASC Advanced Gold Summer Camp without this award?
2. Describe what the phrase “servant-leader” means to you.
3. What are your goals after you graduate from high school? How do you think your participation in student council will assist you in accomplishing those goals?
4. What has been your most meaningful leadership experience (not a program like PASC Gold, but a program you personally led). What made it so meaningful and what was your role in the project?

Note to Applicants: *The expectation for the recommender essay is that it comes from your student council advisor. If another adult will be submitting a letter of recommendation on your behalf, you MUST provide a supplemental explanation as to why your student council advisor is not writing the recommendation letter. Acceptable reasons for this would include not having a student council at your school or your attending the Gold Summer Camp the previous year because of the recommendation of a class advisor, NHS advisor, or other service-oriented group advisor. Failure to provide this explanation with a letter of recommendation from someone other than your student council advisor will result in the automatic rejection of your application.*

Students should provide the following instructions to the individual writing their letter of recommendation.

To the Recommender:

We thank you for taking the time to provide PASC with an appraisal of this applicant, as you can provide us with further insight as we look to provide funding for our worthiest delegates to attend the Advanced Gold

camp. We ask that you please carefully read the following instructions and address each area in your letter of support.

Please provide the applicant a letter of recommendation on school letterhead that addresses the following areas. Please note that the more detailed and specific you can be, the more helpful it is to our scholarship committee. There is no limit on the length of your response.

1. How has the applicant used what they gained from their attendance at the Gold Workshop to benefit their council, school and/or their community (NOT how they have personally benefitted from the experience).
2. The Advanced Gold Summer Camp typically has about 50 student leaders from across Pennsylvania. What do you think this delegate will add to the camp experience for other attendees in their week at Advanced Gold?
3. In your professional opinion, how much leadership development and growth has the applicant shown while in high school, AND what do you think is their potential for continued leadership growth? This is your opportunity to discuss the character of the student receiving the scholarship in addition to their capacity for leadership and personal growth.
4. This scholarship is designed to assist those students who otherwise would not be able to attend the PASC Advanced Gold Leadership camp. Please describe any unique financial needs or other circumstances that would make this scholarship valuable to the applicant.

Other Scholarships

PASC has numerous scholarships available through each PASC District. Please check the PASC Website if you are unsure of which district you belong to. Otherwise, you can visit your district website directly, or contact your District Director. For a list of District Director contact information, please visit pasc.net

**Pennsylvania Association of Student Council PASC Summer Leadership Camps
Scholarship Application 2017**

Applications must be emailed to scholarships@pasc.net by May 1, 2017. Send your application, essay, advisor recommendation, and any additional requirements to the email address above as a PDF or Word document. Please fill out the information below completely (preferably, electronically). Application materials cannot be returned. Please specify the name of the scholarship in the subject line of your email. **ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT SEPARATE EMAIL APPLICATIONS FOR EACH SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH THEY WISH TO BE CONSIDERED.**

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PASC District: _____

Camp Attending

Alvernia Blue Grove City Blue Susquehanna Gold Grove City Gold Advanced Gold

Has a student from your school district attended a PASC Leadership Camp in the past ten years?

(Y/N) _____

Complete this section only if applying for George Meyer Scholarship:

Do you agree to use this scholarship to send two (2) delegates to the same camp at either a Gold or Blue Camp?

(Y/N) _____

Advisor Signature: _____

Scholarship Recipient 1:

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Scholarship Recipient 2:

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Camp Attending (must attend same camp):

Alvernia Blue Grove City Blue Susquehanna Gold Grove City Gold