

# HARBORFIELDS COUNCIL OF PTAS® SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES

The Harborfields Council of PTAs Scholarship Policy is as follows:

## ARTICLE I - GOALS

**SECTION A** - The Scholarship Selection Committee of the Harborfields Council of PTAs is a regular standing committee of the Harborfields Council of PTAs, and has as its primary goal the annual awarding of one thousand-dollar (\$1,000.00) scholarship(s) to a graduating senior(s) of Harborfields High School. The Scholarship Selection Committee can award three (3) types of scholarships. They are:

1. *College Bound - three categories: (weighted GPAs) 80% GPA – 87% GPA; 88% GPA - 95% GPA; and 96% GPA and above*
2. *Vocational – Technical - Occupational*
3. *Barbara Springer Scholarship for the Theatrical, Performing and/or Fine Arts*

Each graduating senior of Harborfields High School can apply for only one (1) of the three (3) scholarship types. The numbers and types of scholarships offered will be determined by the current Harborfields Council of PTAs and will be based upon the amount of money available for scholarships.

## ARTICLE II - CRITERIA FOR SUBMISSION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

**SECTION A** - The student must:

1. Be an all-around citizen who has served the school and/or community well
2. Have academically achieved the following for:
  - a. *A College Bound Scholarship*: minimum of 80% weighted GPA high school average
  - b. *A Vocational-Technical-Occupational Scholarship*: minimum of 80% weighted GPA high school average in the area of concentration;
  - c. *The Barbara Springer Scholarship of the Theatrical, Performing and/or Fine Arts*: minimum of 80% weighted GPA HS average - show through participation in high school activities that the candidate understands the needs and disciplines of the Arts, has shown a commitment to the arts, and is planning to major in the Arts. (Defined as study in music, dance, and/or all aspects of theater and all mediums of fine art.)
3. Attach your resume.
4. Submit a list of all activities or organizations participated in during the high school years (activities in or out of school), including the offices held, types of activities, and the student's contributions.
5. Compose and submit a letter explaining why you hope to be awarded a Harborfields Council of PTAs Scholarship. **Please feel free to include any additional information about yourself that is pertinent.**
6. Ensure that your Guidance Counselor's Report Form is placed into your scholarship packet.
7. Be present for an interview to be conducted by the Scholarship Committee.

**SECTION B** - The Guidance Department shall provide the Scholarship Selection Committee with the following information:

1. A copy of the Guidance Counselor's Report Form as sent with your college applications to post-secondary schools.
2. A copy of the applicant's transcript

All applications and paperwork used by the Committee will be collected by the Guidance Department and destroyed at the conclusion of the interviews.

**SECTION C** - The Scholarship Selection Committee shall be solely responsible for the selection of all Harborfields Council of PTAs Scholarship recipients.

## ARTICLE III - SPECIFICS OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

**SECTION A** - This award is to be applied to help defray the expenses of the scholarship holder for tuition, books, and maintenance in any course of study that will lead to the granting of a:

1. Baccalaureate degree in an accredited post-secondary school for the *College Bound Scholarship*
2. Baccalaureate degree, an associate degree, or course completion certificate from an accredited post-secondary school for the *Vocational-Technical-Occupational Scholarship*
3. Baccalaureate degree or certification in the performing arts, defined as study in music, dance, fine arts as well as theatre for the *Barbara Springer Scholarship for the Theatrical, Performing and/or Fine Arts*.

**SECTION B** - The Scholarship will be a check drawn and delivered to the successful candidate upon receipt by the PTA Council Treasurer of proof of acceptance to a post-secondary school course of study.

Proof of acceptance must be submitted to the Harborfields Council of PTAs by **June 30th** of that school year.

Proof of acceptance shall be a copy of a letter of acceptance from the post-secondary school.

**SECTION C** – Upon confirmation of proof of acceptance a check will be delivered to the candidate at the Council of PTAs “Installation and Senior Scholarship Recipient Recognition Ceremony” held in June, or mailed if the candidate is unable to attend the ceremony, or has not provided the proof of acceptance at the time of the ceremony, no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP OF THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE

**SECTION A** - The “Scholarship Selection Committee” shall be composed of:

1. The Chairperson of the Council of PTAs “Scholarship Committee” who will serve as the chairperson of the “Scholarship Selection Committee”;
2. The president of the Harborfields Council of PTAs if available or an alternate member of the Executive Committee of the Harborfields Council of PTAs;
3. The co-chair of the Variety show, or if unavailable a Member from any PTA Unit of Harborfields CSD chosen by the Council of PTAs Executive Board;
4. A member of the Harborfields PTA, chosen by the Council of PTAs executive Board;
5. A representative of the Harborfields High School Guidance Department;
6. The Principal or an assistant principal from Harborfields High School; and
7. A faculty representative from Harborfields High School.

**SECTION B** – Qualifications:

The Scholarship Selection Committee shall exclude any parent whose child is applying for a scholarship. Any additional conflicts will be left up to the discretion of the “Scholarship Selection Committee.”

**SECTION C** – Term Limits

The term of membership of the Scholarship Selection Committee is yearly and may extend past one year under the discretion of the Council President.

**\*APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017\***

**APPLICATION FOR THE  
HARBORFIELDS COUNCIL OF PTAs® SCHOLARSHIP**

**THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017**

**STUDENT'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT'S ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT'S PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand that the Harborfields Council of PTAs Scholarship Selection Committee will review my academic record, as well as other credentials involved in the selection process. I also realize that they will be treated with strict confidentiality. I hereby give my permission.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Signature)

Each applicant can apply for only one (1) of three scholarship types. The numbers and types of scholarships offered will be determined by the current Harborfields Council of PTAs and will be based upon the amount of money available for scholarships.

**STUDENT'S GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) (weighted):** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOLARSHIP TYPE REQUESTED** (please indicate one):

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$1,000.00 COLLEGE BOUND** (Minimum weighted GPA of 80)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$1,000.00 VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL-OCCUPATIONAL**  
(Minimum weighted GPA of 80 in the area of concentration)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$1,000.00 BARBARA SPRINGER SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE THEATRICAL,  
PERFORMING, AND/OR FINE ARTS** (Show through participation in high school activities that the candidate understands the needs and disciplines of the theatrical, performing, and/or fine arts, and is planning to major in the Arts.)

**POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL'S NAME and COURSE OF STUDY (if known):**

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**YOUR APPLICATION SHOULD INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

- A copy of your resume
- A list of all activities or organizations you participated in during the High School years (activities in or out of school), including offices held, types of activities, and your contributions.
- A letter explaining why you hope to be awarded a Harborfields Council of PTAs Scholarship. ***Please feel free to include any additional information about you that is pertinent.***

**You will be contacted for a scholarship interview, please ensure to dress appropriately.**  
**THE INTERVIEW PROCESS IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**

***Your completed application must be emailed to: [councilscholarship@harborfieldspta.org](mailto:councilscholarship@harborfieldspta.org)***

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**\*NO APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE\***