



Pottawatomie Recycling Committee Scholarship



Pottawatomie Recycling Committee is offering two non-renewable **\$1,000 scholarships** to 2022-2023 graduating seniors who attend a Pottawatomie County high school. The scholarship is for expenses associated with a state-accredited post-secondary institution or program, which includes vocational and technical schools and 2-4 year colleges.

The scholarship winners will be announced on April 22, Earth Day; **however, the monies for the scholarship will not be awarded until second semester of the freshman year of your post-secondary education.** An alternate recipient will be selected in the event one of the first two recipients is no longer qualified by second semester. The awarding of the scholarship is subject to approval by the Pottawatomie Scholarship Committee and may be denied if the conditions for the scholarship are not met.

Please complete the following application and submit it to astadel@pottcounty.org by **Friday March 31, 2023.** Your application may also be sent to Pottawatomie County Noxious Weed Dept., 405 E. Campbell St., Westmoreland, KS 66549.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Cell number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Parents' names and address: _____

Name of Pottawatomie County High School currently attending: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please answer the following questions in *type-written* form or very legible printing.

1. What institution and program of post-secondary education do you plan to pursue and why? If undecided, explain the options you are considering.
2. What will be the approximate semester tuition and fees to attend this school?
3. At this time what are your plans for paying for your post-secondary education?

Because this scholarship comes from Pottawatomie Recycling Committee (PRC) and is funded by the residents and businesses in the county, three things are important to us: 1) The 3R's – reducing, recycling, and repurposing; 2) care of the environment; and 3) volunteerism in Pottawatomie County.

4. Have you and/or your family participated in the PRC program or other recycling efforts over the past years? (For ex: recycling at the trailers, volunteering to straighten up the trailers and sort out trash, donating to the program, etc.) If you have recycled at a location outside of Pottawatomie County, please indicate where that was and what items you were able to recycle.
5. What other activities besides recycling show care for the environment that you and/or your family been involved with? Ex: Donating used clothing to charity, depositing hazardous waste containers at the landfill, using cloth shopping bags, composting, etc.
6. What ideas would you have to increase the participation in recycling?
7. List **non-school related activities** that show your volunteering and service involvement in the community, both formal and informal. Ex: helping clean up the fair grounds for the county fair, setting up for benefit dinners, etc.

8. What top three school activities are you the most proud of and why?

9. Answer the following essay question with either power point slides or an essay.

The length of your power point/essay is not specified. It may be as long as you wish with as much documentation as you wish or as short as you wish.

Background information:

Pottawatomie Recycling Committee has 6 recycling trailers throughout the county. In each of the trailers we collect cardboard, magazines, newspaper, aluminum cans and clean food & beverage glass jars/bottles.

Some items that we don't collect and recycle are **light bulbs, glass-** other than bottles or jars (ex: window glass, mirrors, pyrex dishes, ceramics, etc.), **styrofoam, plastic bags,** and **batteries.**

Question:

Pick two of the non-recyclable items listed above and explain how you as a recycler would go about keeping these items from ending up in the landfill?

Please ask your high school counselor to fill out this page and return it with your completed application.

Counselor statement:

How long has this applicant been attending your high school?

Has this student shown leadership qualities in school?

Yes No ?

What is one outstanding characteristic of this student that you feel most staff members who have worked with him/her would note and why would this characteristic stand out for the applicant?

What is the applicant's current G.P.A.? _____

How would you characterize the direction of this applicant's course of study in high school?

- Vocational-technical
- 2-4 yr. college or university
- Other. Explain: _____

Has the applicant applied to a post-secondary institution for the 2023-2024 school year?

Yes No ?

To your knowledge, has this applicant received other monetary awards at this time to attend postsecondary education?

Yes No ?

Any additional comments regarding the applicant?

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please print your name: _____ School: _____

**Contact Allison at the Pottawatomie County Noxious Weed Dept. with any questions.
Pottawatomie Recycling Committee
785-457-2888**