



USS PYRO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

THE 2017 APPLICATION DEADLINE IS

APRIL 1, 2017

All applications for 2017 must be *received* by John Wichtrich **no later than Saturday, April 1st**. If you're in need of an application, please request one from Kimberly Box via e-mail at kmariebox@usspyro.com

BACKGROUND:

The USS Pyro Scholarship Program was conceived and approved at the 2010 Annual Meeting. It was implemented in 2011 with the objective of supporting the "Mission Statement" noted below. Since inception and through 2015, sixteen descendants of current Association Members or deceased shipmates have been granted \$1,000 scholarships.

GUIDELINES:

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at an accredited college or university or as a full-time student at an accredited trade or technical school. Applicant must be the descendant (relative) of a parent, aunt, uncle, grandparent, or great grandparent, including step-parent and step-grandparent who served on either the USS Pyro AE-1 or USS Pyro AE-24. The relative must have been a member of the USS Pyro Association for at least one year, unless deceased.

TO BE CONSIDERED:

The candidate must complete the application form and submit it to the Chair of the USS Pyro Scholarship Program Committee by April 1 of any given year. All applications will be screened by the USS Pyro Scholarship Program Committee to **1)** ensure all qualifications have been met and **2)** be ranked based on completeness, quality of the content and need.

PROCESS:

The \$1,000 scholarship may be increased if approved by the USS Pyro Association general membership. Funds will be submitted directly to the school or institution where the student is or will be attending. The Scholarship Committee may make exceptions if extraordinary circumstances should arise. The number of candidates for a scholarship each year is approved by the general membership in attendance, and is highly dependent on the availability of funds generated during and following the USS Pyro Association annual meeting.

FUNDING:

Funding is encouraged & welcome anytime of the year and can be submitted directly to the Association Treasurer or to any other Officer of the Association. The majority of the funds will be generated during the annual meeting. Gifts to the Association's Scholarship Fund are tax deductible under IRS Code 501(c) (19).

Mission Statement

To honor the service of shipmates who served on either the USS PYRO AE-1 or AE-24 through the granting of scholarships to their descendants.

USS PYRO Association Educational Scholarship Program Application Process

After carefully reviewing the Educational Scholarship Program Guidelines

- If you've received this application through the mail, please complete it in its entirety using blue or black ink
- If you're viewing this application electronically, it's formatted to print on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Please complete it in its entirety using blue or black ink

Your signature is required at the bottom, on page 2 of the application. Please make certain your first & last name are written on each page of the application as well as any additional documents and/or pages being sent.

Required Documents:

- Completed two-page Application
- Current Official Grade Transcript or, if not currently enrolled, most recent transcript. Photocopies are acceptable.

Applicants will agree to be interviewed electronically or by telephone, if requested, by the Scholarship Committee.

The completed Application Package and grade transcript, if mailed separately, must be received by April 1st of any given year. Photocopies should be used wherever necessary as application packages will not be returned. All applicants will be notified when the candidate selection is announced (not later than May 31 of any given year).

Please mail all materials together, unfolded and unstapled, in a 9" x 12" (or larger) envelope to:

USS PYRO Association
C/o John Wichtrich
6828 Wimberly Rd.
Willow Spring, NC 27592

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Name _____ Birth Date _____

Home Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

USS PYRO Relative _____ Relationship _____

Relative's USS PYRO Duty Period _____ Rating/Rank _____

Relative's History aboard USS PYRO (such as duty station, who he/she worked for, etc.)

I am currently a High School Senior Attending:

School _____

Address _____

School Telephone _____ GPA _____

Advisor/Counselor _____

Accepted & Enrolled College/University _____

I am currently a College Student attending:

College/University _____ Class Year _____

Address _____

Personal School Address _____

School Telephone Number _____ School E-mail _____

Current Major _____ GPA _____

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If necessary, use additional 8-½" x 11" paper to provide all appropriate information.

Scholastic Honors/Awards:

Extracurricular Activities:

Work Experience:

Why you feel you should be considered for the USS PYRO Scholarship.

Most years the USS PYRO ASSOCIATION receives more requests than budgeted. Please clarify on a separate sheet why you feel you should be given priority consideration for a scholarship. Please include any extracurricular activities, special challenges or financial needs that you or your family believes should be considered when evaluating your request. You may also want to include a letter (or note) from your relative. All information will be kept strictly confidential and will be reviewed and considered only by the Award Committee in their selection of the final candidate(s) to be recommended at the Annual Meeting.

I verify that all the information submitted is accurate.

Signature _____ Date _____