

Niagara Orleans Labor Council, AFL/CIO



AFFILIATED WITH WNY AREA LABOR FEDERATION

REPRESENTING UNION MEMBERS IN NIAGARA AND ORLEANS Counties

AFL/CIO NIAGARA ORLEANS LABOR COUNCIL

Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarships 2026

TO: Participating Union Locals

The Niagara Orleans Labor Council will award three (3) thousand dollar (\$1000) Scholarships. The **Niagara Orleans Labor Council** will be awarded one eligible High School Senior who is continuing their education at the collegiate level. The NOLC applicant must be a child, grandchild or a legal dependent of a union member in good standing. **The sponsoring union member must work in Niagara or Orleans Counties.** **The Russell Quarantello Memorial Trades Scholarship** will be awarded to an active member, child, grandchild, spouse, or legal dependent of a union member's immediate family in good standing who is entering or continuing their education in a recognized union apprenticeship or continuing education program. **The sponsoring union member must work in Niagara or Orleans Counties.** The **President's Scholarship** is awarded to an active adult member, child, grandchild or a legal dependent of a union member in good standing who is continuing his or her education at the collegiate level. **The sponsoring union member must work in Niagara or Orleans Counties.**

The completed application must be submitted to the Niagara Orleans Labor Council's Selection Committee by **Friday April 24, 2026.** Application must have authorized Union Local signature to be eligible for scholarship. Mail application to the Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarship Committee, c/o Beth Pyskaty, United Way of Greater Niagara, 6420 Inducon Drive, W Suite B2, Sanborn, NY 14132.

The winner will be chosen by a committee of members from the Niagara Orleans Labor Council. The scholarship winners and sponsoring local union committee will be notified by mail. If you do not hear from the Selection Committee by **Friday, May 1st**, you may assume that another applicant was chosen as a winner.

Please make additional copies of the application and rules as needed. Any questions please contact Beth Pyskaty at (716) 731-4580 or by email: beth@uwgn.org.

The winners will be formally announced at a Reception. **Winners must be present to receive their \$1000 Scholarship Awards at our reception on May 20, 2026 during our meeting and read their essay at the event.**

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2026 Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarships
RULES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION

To: All Local Union Selection Committee Chairs
All Applicants

1. The application is to be filled out neatly and completely.
2. Submit completed application to sponsor(s) local union for verification.
3. Eligibility:
 - a. Complete Pages 3 and 4
 - b. Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarship applicant must be a high school senior that can verify proof of admission to an institution of higher learning.
 - c. The President's Scholarship Applicant must verify proof of attending a college or institution of higher learning or non-reimbursable accredited certification program.
 - d. The Russell Quarentello Memorial Trade Scholarship applicant must provide proof that they will attend a recognized union apprenticeship or continuing education program/center.
4. All applications must be completely filled out with signatures from union officials from the sponsoring local. **This signature can be anyone in the sponsoring local's Executive Board**
5. All applicants must have it **submitted or postmarked by April 24th, 2026.**
6. The AFL/CIO Niagara Orleans Labor Council's Selection Committee will review all applications, and will select the winners.
7. The Council's Selection Committee will notify winners by **Friday, May 1, 2026.**
8. The news release will be the responsibility of the Council's Selection Committee.
9. The applications shall remain with the Niagara Orleans Labor Council.
10. An applicant can only apply for one of the scholarships in one year. **Example: You can't apply for the NOLC and the Quarentello Scholarship.**

Circle One
NOLC Scholarship
President's Scholarship
Quarantello Scholarship

NIAGARA ORLEANS CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL
"A Community Services Program"

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Deadline: postmark by Friday, April 24th, 2026

Name _____ Age* _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

High School Name and Address _____

Are you currently attending college? _____

School/College/Trade Program you plan to attend _____

Applicants – Degree Major/Trade _____

Sponsor's Name _____ Relationship to Applicant _____

Address of sponsor _____

Sponsor's Union Affiliation: International/National _____ Local # _____

Applicant: Please check the designation that applies to your relationship to your sponsoring union member:

Child _____ of an active union member of Local _____

Grandchild _____ or a retired union member of Local _____

Legal dependent _____

Spouse _____

Continuing Education _____

I certify that the answers given above are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Sponsoring Union Member _____ Date _____

Signature of a Local Exec. Board Member _____ Date _____

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