

APPLICATION FOR THE 2026 MSEA-SEIU HOWARD L. BOWEN, MURRAY L. BROWN, GEORGE A. DAVALA, RICHARD J. MCDONOUGH, AND MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS
(FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS ONLY)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

FULL NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ HOME PHONE _____

NAME & MAILING ADDRESS OF COLLEGE/SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND _____

COURSE OF STUDY YOU PLAN TO TAKE (if known) _____

DATE OF ACCEPTANCE _____ LENGTH OF COURSE (Years, months, etc.) _____

NAME & ADDRESS OF HIGH SCHOOL FROM WHICH YOU ARE TO GRADUATE (or have graduated from) _____

DATE OF GRADUATION _____

GUIDANCE DIRECTOR/COUNSELOR'S NAME _____

APPLICANT'S INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES (if any) _____

MSEA MEMBER INFORMATION

Please complete the following information about the MSEA member who qualifies you for the MSEA scholarships:

MSEA MEMBER'S NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

MSEA CHAPTER/LOCAL TO WHICH MEMBER BELONGS _____

APPLICANT'S RELATIONSHIP TO MEMBER _____

(Please see attached info sheet for list of qualifying relationships)

NAMES & AGES OF OTHER DEPENDENT'S RESIDING IN MEMBER'S HOUSEHOLD _____

MSEA MEMBER'S INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES _____

OTHER PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

OTHER PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS (If different from above) _____

HOME PHONE _____ **WORK PHONE** _____

OTHER PARENT'S INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES _____

NAMES & AGES OF DEPENDENT'S (*if different from member's listed above*) _____

NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS ALL REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

PLEASE NOTE: *It will be necessary for you to ask each of your references to send his/her letter of recommendations to the MSEA Scholarship Committee. Applications and accompanying data should be mailed to the MSEA Scholarship Committee, 5 Community Drive, Augusta, ME 04330.*

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 17, 2026.

I do do not give my permission for the MSEA Scholarship Committee to forward a copy of this scholarship application and all required information to my MSEA-SEIU chapter /local for consideration of a chapter/local scholarship if available.

Signature of MSEA/SEIU Member _____

**2026 MSEA-SEIU SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET FOR
FULL-TIME & PART-TIME SCHOLARSHIPS**

FULL-TIME STUDENTS: Applications for the annual scholarships will be considered only from students who have one of the following relationships with a **dues-paying MSEA-SEIU member**; son or daughter of an MSEA member; stepchild of an MSEA member who resides with the MSEA member; son or daughter of the MSEA member's significant other who resides with the MSEA member in accordance with the sick leave article of the Executive Branch contract; student who is under legal guardianship of an MSEA member; and/or grandchild of an MSEA member who resides with the grandparent. The applicant must be entering full-time post-secondary educational or vocational programs for the first time as freshmen. Full-time shall be defined as complying with federal standards of twelve (12) credit hours per semester.

Four (4) scholarships will be awarded as follows: The *Richard McDonough Scholarship* in the amount of \$1,500, the *Dr. Howard L. Bowen Scholarship* in the amount of \$1,000, the *Murray L. Brown Scholarship* in the amount of \$1,000, and the *George A. Davala Scholarship* in the amount of \$1,000.

Additionally, one *Maine Community College Scholarship* (MCCS) in the amount of \$750 will be awarded in each of the three (3) MSEA Areas to a student attending a Maine Community College provided there is an applicant. If there is no applicant from an Area, that scholarship may be awarded to a qualified applicant from another Area. The MCCS applicants will first be considered along with the other applicants for the four (4) scholarships mentioned above. If not selected to receive one of these scholarships, they will then be considered for the MCCS Scholarship.

PART-TIME STUDENTS: The MSEA Scholarship Committee is also accepting applications for three (3) \$500 scholarships from MSEA/SEIU members enrolled in part-time (or full-time) educational programs. (*One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a member in each of the three MSEA Areas.*)

Applications for the three Area part-time annual scholarships will be considered only from MSEA members who are furthering their education either on a part-time basis while employed **OR** on a full-time basis after obtaining an educational leave of absence. Also, members working to maintain certification and/or licensing in their field.

BASIS FOR AWARDING ALL SCHOLARSHIPS: The members of the Scholarship Committee from each of the three Areas will screen applications from all areas and award all full and part-time scholarships on the following basis:

CHARACTER (self-motivation); **LEADERSHIP** (school and community); **SERVICE TO OTHERS** (school and community); **FINANCIAL NEED & SCHOLASTIC ABILITY**. Each item will receive a numerical rating from one to nine (one being the lowest, nine the highest) with the scores for financial need and scholastic ability being doubled. The total of these ratings determines the success of the application (in case of a tie, a member of the MSEA Board of Directors will be asked to evaluate both applicants and that evaluation will serve as the tie-breaker.) The Committee, if deemed necessary may require personal interviews. All scholarships will be payable directly to the school, one-half during the first semester or partial year, and one-half during the second semester of the academic year.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS: The following materials should accompany all applications: **1.)** High School Transcript; **2.)** Essay on how the union has affected you and/or your family and what does it mean to you (*No more than one (1) page in length*); **3.)** Itemized statement of your, and if you are a dependent, your parents/guardians' financial resources (savings/assets) and outstanding obligations (bills/loan payments); **4.) 2025 Federal** Income Tax Return including all statements and schedules (all held in strict confidence); **5.)** Description of your extracurricular activities: school & community; **6.)** One scholastic reference letter (coaches or anyone connected to the applicant's school) and one non-scholastic reference letter (non-relative and not school related). Reference letters should contain information on character, leadership, and service to others, as well as any other information, which indicates why this applicant should be considered.

It will be the Applicant's responsibility to be sure all required references are received at MSEA Headquarters by the scholarship deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered after this date.

APPLICATIONS & ALL REQUIRED DATA MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 17, 2026

Please mail to:

MAINE SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, 5 COMMUNITY DR., AUGUSTA, ME 04330