

2022-2023
Application deadline is March 1, 2023

**PURPOSE:** The Albert Yanni Scholarship provides high-quality career and technical education (CTE) students an opportunity to pursue advanced education and/or training related to their career aspirations.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** Scholarships of \$2,000.00 each will be awarded to students selected by a committee of West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) personnel. Applicants selected must present proof that they have maintained their eligibility requirements before awards are presented.

# **HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANT MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) Each applicant must be a secondary student currently enrolled in a public school in the state of West Virginia who will have completed all graduation requirements by the end of the current school year.
- 2) Each applicant must have a cumulative (9-12) attendance rate of 85% <u>AND</u> a cumulative (9-12) minimum GPA of 3.0.
- 3) No applicant may have a final unweighted semester grade below a C in grades 9-12.
- 4) Each applicant must have completed or be on track to complete at least the four required courses for a state-approved CTE program of study in accordance with WVBE Policy 2520.13.
- 5) Each applicant must be planning to pursue postsecondary education in a career field related to their secondary career technical program of study.
- 6) Each applicant must be registered with or accepted by an accredited postsecondary institution or technical center in a technical certificate or degree program.

### **HOME SCHOOLED APPLICANT MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) Each applicant must have completed at least four units in a single, approved career technical program of study.
- 2) Each applicant must be planning to pursue postsecondary education in a career field related to their secondary career technical program of study.
- 3) Each applicant must be registered with, or accepted by, an accredited post-secondary institution or technical center in a technical certificate or degree program.
- 4) Each applicant must have taken the TASC and passed with a minimum score of 550 on each of the five sections **AND** provide a copy of the said score.

## **SELECTION PROCESS:**

All eligible applicants will be rated by the WVDE committee in the following areas:

- 1) Student Form, which includes personal and parent contact information and consent
  - a) Awards (6 points possible)
  - b) Honors (6 points possible)
  - c) School Involvement (6 points possible)
  - d) Community involvement (6 points possible)
  - e) 500 Word Essay (26 points possible)
- 2) School Official Form
  - a) Verification of Eligibility (10 points possible)
  - b) Verification of CTSO membership (5 points possible)
  - c) Verification of National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) membership (5 points possible)
  - d) Verification of a postsecondary pathway is related to the secondary CTE program of study (10 points possible)
- 3) Recommendations Forms from
  - a) One academic teacher (10 points possible)

- b) One CTE instructor (10 points possible)
- c) One peer (10 points possible)

Ties will be broken by class rank or GPA. The applicants with the highest numerical scores will not automatically be selected. However, an effort will be made to distribute the awards geographically and across program areas.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

- 1) The student applicant will complete the <u>Yanni Scholarship Student Form</u>.
- 2) A school official will complete the Yanni Scholarship School Official Form.
- 3) The student applicant will select an academic teacher to complete the <u>Yanni Scholarship Academic</u> Teacher Recommendation Form.
- 4) The student applicant will select a technical instructor to complete the <u>Yanni Scholarship Career</u> Technical Education (CTE) Instructor Recommendation Form.
- 5) The student applicant will select a peer who has been in one or more classes with the student applicant to complete the Yanni Scholarship Peer Recommendation Form.
- 6) Application deadline is March 1, 2023.
- 7) For additional questions, contact: Deanna Canterbury-Penn (<a href="mailto:dpenn@k12.wv.us">dpenn@k12.wv.us</a>) or Natalie Proctor (<a href="mailto:nproctor@k12.wv.us">nproctor@k12.wv.us</a>) at 304.558.2389.
- 8) Notifications will be mailed/emailed on or before April 15, 2023.

## **REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION:**

- 1.) Incomplete Forms: <u>ALL</u> INFORMATION ON <u>ALL</u> FORMS MUST BE COMPLETE. Any incomplete forms will be the reason for disqualification. If an item or question does not pertain, please enter N/A.
- 2.) **Omission of Forms**: Any omission of any form in the application packet will be the reason for disqualification.