

Somerset County School Nurses Association 2024 Scholarship Rules and Criteria



School Nursing is a specialty within the nursing profession. The Somerset County School Nurses Association (SCSNA) is a voluntary professional organization that provides continuing education and promotes high standards of care to meet the needs of the students and staff in our schools. We want to recognize and reach out to those wishing to study nursing and make it their profession.

2024 Nurse Scholarship Rules

Applicant Eligibility:

1. Must be interested in pursuing an undergraduate, certification or graduate nursing degree.
2. Must be either employed in or reside in Somerset County, New Jersey.
3. Must be planning on entering or currently attending a college or university which offers an undergraduate nursing program, a school nurse certification program or a graduate nursing program.
4. Cumulative high school or college G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher.
5. Registered Nurse applicants must be a member of the SCSNA. Additional consideration will be given to applicants who have taken an active role as a member in the SCSNA.

Application Process:

1. Complete application and sign the required statements.
2. Write a typed essay of 500 words or less on “Why I Want to be a Nurse”, with your name on the top of the essay. (Font: New Times Roman, 12 pt., Margins 1.0)
3. Prepare a resume and be sure to highlight any current nursing experience or any experiences you have that you think are relevant to your decision to become a nurse.
4. Obtain either a current high school or college transcript that provides evidence of G.P.A.
5. Be specific about the any and all types of financial aid or scholarships awarded or received. Make sure you include if the monies awarded are promised to you annually or if the monies are awarded as a one-time scholarship. Attach extra page to thoroughly explain if needed.
6. Submit evidence of entering or currently enrolled in a college or university nursing program. Attach extra page if need to explain college acceptances and pending decisions.
7. Email your application, essay, resume, transcript and college acceptance letter or enrollment evidence to: Cynthia J. Lisk, RN at scholarshipscsna@gmail.com. **All documents should be submitted in PDF format preferably as 1 PDF file.** Transcripts should be sent directly from your high school guidance department if you are a graduating high school senior.
8. Obtain two letters of recommendation: If you are a graduating high school senior, it is strongly recommended that one of your recommendations should come from your School Nurse or a Health Care Professional. ***These two letters should be e-mailed by the authors (and not the student) to Cynthia J. Lisk, RN at the above email address.***
9. ***All materials must be received by email before Friday, April 19, 2024.*** All the requirements must be met to qualify.
10. You will be notified by the end of June 2024 if you have received the scholarship. For High School Seniors, the award will be presented at your school’s Scholarship Awards Night or prior to Graduation by your School Nurse or a member of the SCSNA.