



Kids' Chance of Maine Scholarship Overview

Background:

Kids' Chance of Maine is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides scholarships for children of workers that have been seriously injured or killed in a compensable work-related accident or occupational disease. Scholarships are awarded once a year and students may apply every year for which they are eligible. Current annual scholarship amounts range from \$1,000 and \$5,000 and are determined based on the student's financial need.

Student Eligibility:

- Between sixteen and twenty-two years old at the time of the application.
- Child who is a dependent of a worker seriously injured or killed in a compensable work-related accident or occupational disease with an employer over whom the Maine Workers' Compensation Board has jurisdiction.
- Demonstrated financial need to pay for post-secondary education.
- Accepted or already enrolled at a two- or four-year college, university or technical school. (Graduate-level students are not eligible.)
- Pursuing a degree as a full or part-time student.
- Completion of the FAFSA – the Free Application for Federal Student Aid – for students attending a 2-year or 4-year college or university.

Documentation Required:

- Completed Kids' Chance Scholarship Application with student, family and university/college/technical school contact information
- Transcript of most recent grades – unofficial transcript is acceptable
- Copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) you received from completing the FAFSA, with your Expected Family Contribution (EFC), if you are attending a 2-year or 4-year college or university.
- Brief description of the applicant's education and career goals
- A Memorandum of Payment or Maine Works' Compensation Board Decree establishing a compensable work-related injury, illness or death
- Parents' basic employer information such as name, address, phone
- Brief description of the injury, illness, or fatality

DEADLINE: April 15 of fall semester

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Questions? Please contact us **BEFORE** the deadline via phone (980) 643-8050 or email at info@kidschanceofmaine.org