WEEOC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM "Information Sheet"

General Information

Western Egyptian EOC, through funding from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), has scholarships available for high school graduates desiring to further their educational training at an Illinois college or university, community college, or vocational school. Four (4) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be offered. Applicants must reside in Monroe. Perry or Randolph County. The scholarship will be applied toward tuition and fees; textbooks and supplies; or room and board, and will be paid directly to the school of the student's designation.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must demonstrate evidence of the following eligibility criteria:

- 1. Resident of Monroe, Perry or Randolph County.
- 2. Member of an income eligible household according to the following income guidelines. *(proof required)*

2025 Income Guidelines for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) (currently at 200% until further notice)

Is my household income within 200% of federal poverty level? If your household's combined income for the 30 days prior to application (gross income for all household members, before taxes are deducted) is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level as shown in the chart below, you may be eligible to receive assistance.

Family Size	30-Day Gross Income
(total number in household)	Total to Meet Eligibility
1	\$2,608
2	\$3,525
3	\$4,442
4	\$5,358
5	\$6,275
6	\$7,192

^{*}For households larger than 6 members, please contact your county agency.

- 3. Possess a high school diploma or GED from an accredited institution evidences by most recent transcript. *(transcript required)*
- 4. Be accepted at an Illinois college or university, community college, or vocational school at least on a half-time basis. (an acceptance letter from the training institution or current schedule if enrolled in college, is required to be considered)

Applicants should submit a completed application to one of Western Egyptian's offices as follows by Friday, March 24, 2025.

Monroe County	207 West Fourth (rear) Waterloo, IL 62298	phone 618-737-0101 fax 618-9391148
Perry County	317 South Washington DuQuion, IL 62832	phone 618-542-4656 fax 618-542-4656
Randolph County	1820 North Market Sparta, IL 62286	phone 618-443-5231 fax 618-443-5279
WEEOC Central Office	1 Industrial Park – PO Box 7 Steeleville, IL 62288	phone 618-965-3458 fax 618-965-9421

WESTERN EGYPTIAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

To complete your application, you must submit all required information utilizing the enclosed forms.

To be completed by application	<u>ant</u>	
Name		Date
Address		
		te County
Phone	Cell	E-Mail
Name of Illinois college or are currently attending:	university, communi	ity college, or vocational school you will attend or
Date of Application		Date Accepted
Planned Major		-
Do you plan to enroll in an ☐ on a half time basis OR		niversity, community college, or vocational school sis?
Will you □ commute <u>OR</u>	□ live on campus?	
What other scholarships ha	eve you applied for?	
Are you currently receiving	g any scholarship aid	or tuition assistance? If yes, explain
List any school or commur like to bring to the scholars		s, organizations, clubs, office or honors you would ntion:
Do you plan to work while	attending school?	l yes □ no

Employment History If you have been employed, either full or part-time, complete the following: (if space provided is not adequate, attach additional page) Employer Type of Work Address From/To Hours per Week **Extra-Curricular Activities** List any extra-curricular activities you have been involved with (if space provided is not adequate, attach additional page)

Career Goals In the space provided, write a 100-200 word statement concerning your career goals and the reason(s) you are applying for this scholarship.

Income Level

Attach proof of income for the previous 90 days for all household members.

Application Date	Previous 90 Days
	Date
Weekly Income (gross amount)	Bi-monthly Income (gross amount)

Agency use only	Points
Income Levelat or below 100% of poverty	5
between 100% – 125% of poverty	

School Statistics

To be completed by counselor, principal or other school official.

A.	ACT Composite Score SAT Composite Score GED Test Score	2	
B.	Rank In Class		
	Rank	Class Size	Grade Point Average
C.	Signature of School O	Official	
	Signature		Title
	Phone		E-Mail
	Date		

Agency use only		Points
Grade Point Average	3.5 – 4.0	5
on a 0 to 4 scale	2.5 - 3.4	
	1.5 - 2.4	3

Social Security Cards

Attach copy of Social Security card for each person residing in household.

Card #1

Card #2

Card #3

Card #4

Card #5

Card #6

Transcript Applicant must possess a high school diploma or GED from an accredited institution evidenced by most recent transcript.		
Attach transcript:	 ☐ High School transcript ☐ College transcript (if currently enrolled in college) 	
	Agency use only Transcript submitted	Points

Letter of Acceptance from Training Institution OR Current Schedule (if enrolled in college)

Applicant must be accepted at an Illinois college or university	y, community college, or	r vocational
school at least on a half-time basis.		

Attach:

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\sum \text{ acceptance letter from training institution } \]
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\sum \text{ current schedule (if enrolled in college)} \]

Agency use only

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or current schedule (if enrolled in college)......

Personal Letters of Recommendation

Applicants must provide three (3) letters of recommendation from individuals who are not related.

Completed letters must be returned to the Western Egyptian EOC office where scholarship application was obtained.

Three (3) sets are attached for completion and submission.

Personal Recommendation Must Not Be Related To Applicant

If space provided is not adequate, please attach additional page.

Name of Applicant _____

committee.

1.	How long have you known this individual and in what capacity?
2.	Describe any knowledge you have of this individual's participation in civic affairs and

their commitment to future career goals. Include accomplishments, awards, honors, or other significant information that you believe would be useful to the scholarship

4. Are you aware of any financial difficulties that this individual's family migh financing a college education?	t face in
Name Position	
Address Phone	
E-Mail	

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committee.

3.	Are there any significant limitations (physical, intellectual, and/or emotional) extenuating circumstances regarding this individual that the committee should consider
4.	Are you aware of any financial difficulties that this individual's family might fac financing a college education?
Name _	Position
	Phone
	E-Mail

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Address	SPhone	
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