IEMSA EMS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2017

NEW! SIX \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS ADDED

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Are you a student looking for assistance to help pay for your EMS Course? Are you a service that has students that are in an EMS Class that you are paying for? If you answered yes to either one of the questions above IEMSA can help. In 2017 the IEMSA Board of Directors approved the allotment of \$7,500.00 to be given away in scholarships to students who are enrolled in an Iowa EMS Program. New this year--there will be six \$1,000 scholarships awarded to one student from each of our six IEMSA Regions. The only guidelines are that the student must be a student member of IEMSA and the training program that they are enrolled in must be an affiliate member of IEMSA. In addition to these six scholarships we will be awarding one \$500 scolarship each to two individuals that are pursuing a certificate for EMR, EMT, AEMT or PARAMEDIC. One \$500 scholarship will also be awarded to a training program to be utilized at their discretion. Funds are intended to assist those hoping to enter the emergency medical services job force or for established members of the EMS community looking to advance their education and certification level. Emergency Medical Services personnel are essential features of any disaster management effort. Whether paid or volunteer, EMS is often the first to arrive at accident sites, making splitsecond life-saving decisions during every shift. Quality education and comprehensive training is essential for EMS providers and paramedics, because no two disasters, emergencies or accidents are alike. The goal of the IEMSA annual scholarship fund is to encourage continued improvement and advancement for our state's providers. Initial certification requires schooling, and continuing education, and it also plays an important role in keeping EMS personnel on the cutting edge of life-saving first responder protocols. College level programs exist at two

and four-year colleges. Whether basic or advanced-EMT, school can be costly. IEMSA would like to assist individuals with scholarship funding to help achieve or further career goals.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

Scholarships are one time only and are not awarded on a repetitive basis. IEMSA members and direct family of IEMSA members will be given preference. Scholarship recipients will be contacted individually and announced at the 28th Annual IEMSA Conference & Trade Show-November 11th. 2017.



Deadline for submission of applications: June 1, 2017.

To find the IEMSA Scholarship application please visit the IEMSA Website at http://iemsa.net/pdfs/Scholarship_Application.pdf

- 1. Only those applications which are complete, accurate and received by the deadline will be considered.
- 2. IEMSA will notify all applicants by email of the status of their application.
- 3. EMS scholarships are not awarded for course work already taken.
- 4. Scholarship payments are made directly to the recipient of the scholarship.
- 5. The following criteria will be used in the scholarship selection process:
 - Dedication to the profession
 - Financial need
 - Dedication to the community
 - Service as a positive ambassador for IEMSA

Please consider applying for one of these scholarships or forward information on to other potential recipients.





