

# OEA John F. Kennedy Scholarship

## 2020–2021 Application Guide

The John F. Kennedy Scholarship was instituted in November of 1963 during the annual Ohio Education Association Representative Assembly in Columbus. It was during that Assembly that President Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas. Assembly delegates took action during the convention to establish the scholarship as an annual memorial to President Kennedy.

Criteria for the \$4,000 scholarship are as follows: the recipient must be a unified Ohio Education Association member, must be a career teacher in the teaching profession, must be enrolled in a graduate-level program, must be in need of financial assistance, and must demonstrate a reasonable prediction of success in graduate work. Preference will be given to applicants enrolled in programs that continue classroom involvement.

One year after the scholarship is awarded, the recipient shall provide OEA with a statement describing his/her employment and graduate work status.

**Current members of the OEA Board of Directors and association staff members are not eligible for this scholarship. In addition, OEA Awards and Scholarship Committee Members are not eligible for two years after completion of service on the committee to apply or to be nominated.**

The award will be presented at the OEA Spring Representative Assembly.

For additional information, please contact Awards by emailing to: [awards@ohea.org](mailto:awards@ohea.org)

**NOTE:** The completed online application form for the JFK Scholarship must be received on or before **January 22, 2021**. **Late applications will not be considered.**

All applicants will receive notification of receipt of his/her application. The finalists may receive an interview request at the discretion of the committee. **Only complete applications will be considered. The OEA Awards and Scholarship Committee reserves the right to present no award or to refer an applicant to another award or scholarship.**

## OEA John F. Kennedy Scholarship Application Checklist

Your online application must be received on or before January 22, 2021. **Only complete applications will be considered.** Please read the application carefully and be sure that you meet the criteria for this scholarship.

### Checklist to Be Completed

- Yes, I am a unified member of the Ohio Education Association/NEA for 2020-2021.
- I have read the online application and I believe that I meet all of the criteria for this scholarship.
- I have signed the completed online application.
- My local President or Vice President has been notified of my application.
- My application includes three letters of recommendation.
- My application includes a narrative statement of 500 words or less.
- I have not previously received this scholarship.

*Encouraged but not required...*

- My application includes additional information or evidence that will assist the committee in their decision process. Supporting documents may include but are not limited to printed articles, awards, recognitions, brochures, agendas, correspondence, websites, photos, etc. **\*\*Attachments are limited to 10 pages.\*\***

Your application must be received by January 22, 2021. **Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Application to be completed online at [www.ohea.org/scholarships-grants-awards](http://www.ohea.org/scholarships-grants-awards)

Once you begin the application you will not be able to save it until it is submitted. For this reason, it is recommended that you complete the long answer questions in a separate Word document first and then copy and paste your answers into the online form when ready.

### Background Information

Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_ OEA Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am a unified member of the Ohio Education Association for 2020-2021.

School District \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Local Association \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My Local President or Vice-President has been notified of my application.

### FAMILY OBLIGATIONS

Dependents (Spouse, Children, Other):

Name	Relationship	Age
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Other financial or family obligations (describe briefly) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**INCOME**

Approximate gross family income for 2020: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Estimate gross family income for 2021: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have additional sources of financial aid? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES**

Estimated educational expenses specifically related to the completion of the graduate degree described in this application (include only those hours that are necessary for the graduate degree):

	Semester/Qtr.	Year's Total	Total Graduate Program
Tuition and Fees	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Books and Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Housing (on campus)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Transportation	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Amt. of Educational Loans	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (explain)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

**GRADUATE PROGRAM**

Are you enrolled in a graduate program? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No If yes, Where? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your graduate degree major? \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate hours completed in your current master's degree program \_\_\_\_\_ Semesters \_\_\_\_\_ Quarters

Graduate hours completed in other graduate courses: \_\_\_\_\_ Semesters \_\_\_\_\_ Quarters

**EDUCATION**

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate cumulative point average \_\_\_\_\_ out of a possible \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate cumulative point average (If applicable) in current master's degree program \_\_\_\_\_ of a possible \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate cumulative point average in other programs (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ of a possible \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPERIENCE**

Teaching experience (list current experience first):

School System	Grade Level or Subject	Years
_____	_____	20____ to 20____
_____	_____	20____ to 20____
_____	_____	19____ to 20____

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Request at least three persons familiar with your educational program, teaching qualities, and personal background to submit letters of recommendation. The letters of recommendation **must** be attached to your online application.

Recommendations play a significant part in the selection of finalists for the scholarship. Select carefully the persons from whom you are requesting a recommendation. Ask them to write about your candidacy in 150 words or less. The letter should describe in specific terms why you should be considered for this scholarship and should reflect your education activities, association participation, and community involvement. At least one recommendation should be from the local association.

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your activity in local, district, state and/or national education associations and/or subject area associations.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe your short- and/or long-range career plans. (Be as specific as possible.)

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\_\_\_\_\_

*(Additional paper or space below can be used for further comments.)*

Please include a narrative statement, NOT TO EXCEED 500 WORDS, describing information that will help elaborate why you should be considered for this scholarship.

*Applicant's Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** All applications submitted to OEA will be evaluated on the basis of criteria stated on the online application form. Online application must be received by **January 22, 2021**.

### Questions or Concerns?

Please contact us at [awards@ohea.org](mailto:awards@ohea.org).

#### FURTHER COMMENTS

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Thank you for your application.



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