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MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa shall be to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa shall provide opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

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Together with our supporters, Phi Theta Kappa administers and awards nearly \$1 million in scholarships. To support existing programs or to sponsor a new scholarship opportunity, please contact Dr. Nancy Rieves, CEO of the Phi Theta Kappa Foundation, at 601.984.3504. Visit the Foundation's website at **ptkfoundation.org** for more information on program support.

Detailed information on scholarships provided by Phi Theta Kappa and additional scholarship opportunities for community college students may be found at **ptk.org/scholarships**.



SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORTING ASSOCIATE DEGREE COMPLETION





COCA-COLA LEADERS OF PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

Sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation, the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship helps Phi Theta Kappa members defray educational expenses while enrolled in a two-year college and encourages the development of their leadership potential through participation in Society programs. Up to 25 scholarships are reserved for veterans or those in military service.

PHI THETA KAPPA GLOBAL LEADERS OF PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

The Phi Theta Kappa Leaders of Promise scholarship program provides financial resources to new Phi Theta Kappa members who are international students to help defray educational expenses while enrolled in a two-year college and encourages the development of their leadership potential through participation in Society programs.



GEICO PATHWAY TO COMPLETION ASSOCIATE DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP

Supported by GEICO, this scholarship is awarded to Phi Theta Kappa members in significant leadership positions with preference given to those holding chapter, regional or international office, helping them defray educational expenses while enrolled in a two-year college.



RICHARD L. RESURRECCION PUBLIC SAFETY SCHOLARSHIP

Sponsored by the International Public Safety Leadership and Ethics Institute (IPSLEI), the Richard L. Resurreccion Public Safety Scholarship assists Phi Theta Kappa members in the public safety/service fields of criminal justice, fire science, fire technology, emergency medical services, public safety administration, emergency management and homeland security programs with associate degree completion.



OBERNDORF LIFELINE TO COMPLETION SCHOLARSHIP

Thanks to Rosemary and Lou Oberndorf, the Oberndorf Lifeline to Completion Scholarship helps Phi Theta Kappa members overcome unanticipated financial barriers to college completion. These barriers may include hardships caused by natural disasters, job loss, medical expenses and similar instances.

SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORTING BACHELOR'S DEGREE COMPLETION

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC TEAM PROGRAMS

GUISTWHITE SCHOLARSHIP

The Guistwhite Scholarship assists Phi Theta Kappa members seeking bachelor's degrees. The scholarship is named in honor of Dr. Jack Guistwhite and his wife, Margaret. The late Dr. Guistwhite developed the first transfer scholarship designated exclusively for members.





In 1984 I had been in the U.S. for only four years, having come from Cuba in a boat with my family at 16. My parents couldn't possibly pay for my education, but they had high hopes for my sister and me. I went to college because I couldn't conceive of a life without a career. I was able to afford it because of Phi Theta Kappa. Without that transfer scholarship, my dream of becoming a journalist would have been a lot more difficult to achieve, if not impossible.

Mirta Ojito, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist



HITES TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

Created by a matching challenge from the Hites Family Foundation, the Hites Transfer Scholarship assists Phi Theta Kappa members with bachelor's degree attainment.



As a veteran, stepping foot on a college campus seemed as foreign as my first tour to Iraq and more intimidating. However, Phi Theta Kappa gave me the opportunity, confidence and encouragement I needed to not only succeed, but more importantly excel throughout my transition to life as a student. My Phi Theta Kappa experience and receiving the Hites Transfer, All-USA Community College Academic Team and New Century Scholarships gave me the tools I need to accomplish my goal of becoming a physician.

Adam James, University of Minnesota Medical School

GEICO PATHWAY TO COMPLETION BACHELOR'S DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP

Phi Theta Kappa members holding significant leadership positions are awarded the GEICO Pathway to Completion Bachelor's Degree Scholarship to aid in transferring to a four-year college.





ALL-USA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC TEAM

The All-USA Community College
Academic Team Program, sponsored
by Follett Higher Education Group,
presented by USA TODAY with additional
support provided by the American
Association of Community Colleges
and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society,
annually recognizes 20 high achieving
two-year college students who
demonstrate academic excellence
and intellectual rigor combined with
leadership and service.

COCA-COLA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC TEAM

Students nominated for the All-USA Community College Academic Team may also be named to the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team as either Gold, Silver or Bronze Scholars. This program is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation.



COCA-COLA NEW CENTURY SCHOLARS

The New Century Scholars Program, sponsored by The Coca-Cola Foundation and Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation, recognizes the top-scoring All-USA Community College Academic Team nominees in the United States, Canada and other sovereign nations with Phi Theta Kappa chapters.

ALL-STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC TEAMS

Phi Theta Kappa, two-year college presidents and community college state associations co-sponsor All-State Community College Academic Team recognition programs in 38 states. Students nominated to the All-USA Community College Academic Team are automatically named to the All-State Community College Academic Team in participating states. All-State members receive special recognition including medallions, certificates and oftentimes scholarships. The combined All-State programs offer some \$41 million in scholarships.

WITH GRATITUDE TO SUPPORTERS:









ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND RESOURCES PROVIDED BY PHI THETA KAPPA



PEARSON SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The Pearson Scholarship for Higher Education awards Phi Theta Kappa members who have demonstrated academic excellence, commitment to community service, and leadership with preference given to first-generation students. This is the Society's first renewable scholarship that provides both scholarship and mentorship support for scholars throughout their journey from their associate to their bachelor's degree.





GEICO PATHWAY TO COMPLETION MASTER'S DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP

Phi Theta Kappa has partnered with GEICO to offer the Society's first scholarship supporting alumni leaders pursuing graduate studies, awarding those who have completed a bachelor's degree and plan to enroll full-time in a master's degree program.

GEICO'S CREATIVITY SCHOLARSHIP

Through this program, GEICO awards five scholarships of \$1,000 each to members who showcase their creativity through submission of works.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICER FINALIST AWARD

The International Officer Finalist Award, designated by Rosemary and Lou Oberndorf, awards scholarships to each of the 10 Phi Theta Kappa International Officer Finalists for their commitment to campaigning for international office and aspiring to serve Phi Theta Kappa.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICER SCHOLARSHIP

Phi Theta Kappa's five International Officers are recognized with scholarships presented at the successful conclusion of their terms in office for their outstanding leadership, dedication and contributions made towards fulfilling Phi Theta Kappa's mission.

SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORTING REGIONS/STATES/CHAPTERS

- Christopher A. Calhoun Scholarship (SC)
- Dorothy C. Lanier Scholarship (OH)
- Dowell Leadership Scholarship (MS)
- Dr. Mary Hood Texas Region Scholarship (TX)
- Florida Regional Scholarship (FL)
- Illinois Regional Scholarship (IL)
- Middle States Region Scholarship (DE, DC, MD, NJ & PA)
- Mu Epsilon Scholarship (Miami Dade College, FL)
- Strongest Souls Scholarship (OH)
- West Williamson Convention Scholarship

ORLOWSKI CANDIDATE SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient of the Orlowski Candidate Scholarship is a candidate for International Office, chosen by vote of fellow candidates, who best reflects the ideals of Phi Theta Kappa. The scholarship is named for the late Steve Orlowski, who died while serving as a 1986-1987 National Vice President of Division III.

SENIOR INSTITUTION TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Phi Theta Kappa works with senior institutions to develop transfer scholarships exclusively for members. Nearly 750 senior institutions in the United States, Canada and England offer more than \$37 million in transfer scholarships designated for Phi Theta Kappa members. A complete listing of all transfer scholarship details, deadlines and contact information for each scholarship may be found at **CollegeFish.org**.



COLLEGEFISH.ORG

Developed by Phi Theta Kappa, CollegeFish is an online transfer planning and college completion tool, created to serve the unique needs of community college students planning to seek bachelor's degrees. Students are matched to colleges and scholarships meeting their requirements for majors, financial aid and necessary transfer support and receive notification of all admissions and scholarship application deadlines and transfer requirements.

For information about CollegeFish, visit **CollegeFish.org**.

ANNUALLY:



Nearly 53,000 scholarship applications are submitted



More than 500 scholarship recipients are recognized



Approximately \$1 million in scholarships are awarded

For additional information on Phi Theta Kappa scholarships, visit ptk.org/scholarships, email scholarship.programs@ptk.org or call 601.987.5741.