SMART LOCAL 219 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. Applicants are to be **children, grandchildren (great-grandchildren are not eligible) or spouses of members in good standing, who are active or retired, and children of previously active deceased members of Sheet Metal Workers' Local #219.**

2. Applicants must be presently enrolled and expecting to graduate from an area high school, or presently a <u>full-time</u> college or technical student.

3. To receive a scholarship offered, the applicant must be attending or planning to attend a college or technical school as a <u>full-time</u> student. The scholarship shall be applied to the ensuing academic year for tuition, room and board, books, or other related expenses.

4. All completed applications must be postmarked or delivered to the address listed below by **<u>Friday, May 29, 2026.</u>**

> **SMART Local 219**
> **3316 N. Publishers Drive**
> **Rockford, IL 61109**

   Original application forms are to be used.
   It is preferred that the applications be typed; however, neatly hand-printed applications will be considered.

5. Applicants shall have a current GPA of at least 2.5, on a 4.0 scale. Applications are to include one (1) letter of recommendation from a non-family member (clergy, teacher, counselor, etc.), a copy of high school and/or college transcripts, and a copy of their most current report card.

6. **Winners will be notified by letter. The applicant and/or the Member MUST be present to accept the check at the July Union Meeting (July 28, 2026). If not present, you will forfeit your scholarship award**.

7. Last year, there were 51 $1,500 scholarships awarded.

8. Beginning in 2024, applicants may be awarded a maximum of four (4) scholarships.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION – PART I

Complete both parts of the application. Mail or return the completed application to SMART Local 219, by May 29, 2026. Mailed applications must be postmarked by this date. Part I will be detached from the remainder of the application and assigned a number to ensure impartial judgment of the applicants. <u>Disclosure of the applicant's number will not be disclosed to the selection committee or the applicant until the scholarship selections have been made.</u>

Applicants Name: First _____ MI _____ Last _____

Address _____

City_____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ - _____ Current High School / College _____

HS Graduation Year: _____ Current GPA _____ Date of Birth _____/_____/_____

Local #219 Member: First _____ MI _____ Last _____

Address _____

City_____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ - _____ IA Membership # _____

Relationship to Applicant _____ Years of Good Standing Membership _____

Applicants Signature _____ Date _____/_____/_____

Members Signature _____ Date _____/_____/_____

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APPLICANT INFORMATION – PART II

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Please answer all questions that apply in brief responses, within the provided spaces.

1. Academic awards you have received, including the date of the award.

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2. School Activities (Sports, Band, Drama, Student Government, etc) List years and office held.

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3. Community Service Activities (Church, Scouts, Hospitals, etc.) List dates and duties performed.

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4. Briefly explain the impact that the Sheet Metal Workers' Union has had on your life.

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5. Do you feel the role of labor unions in this country is going to increase or decrease in the
    future and why?

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6. What are your college plans?

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7. Many people establish goals in life. Envision yourself five to ten years after graduating college, and share some goals you hope to have accomplished by then.

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8. During your past years, give an example where you were able to demonstrate an example of initiative, creativity, generosity, and/or leadership.

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9. If you were a judge, what characteristics other than financial would you look for in an applicant?

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