



Leadership Paducah Foundation, Inc. Continuing Education Scholarship

History

The Leadership Paducah Alumni Association, Inc. (LPAA) is a nonprofit organization committed to providing a forum to introduce current and future leaders to the qualities, attributes, and challenges of the Paducah/McCracken County area. The LPAA mission will focus on supporting the Leadership Paducah Program through financial aid to qualifying individuals, active participation in planning and directing individual LPAA sessions, and collecting feedback to ensure the LPAA continues. The LPAA will encourage active, ongoing participation in community activities. Leadership Paducah graduates are encouraged to join the LPAA.

Whereas: LPAA is committed to assisting Leadership Paducah graduates with continuing their education. Through funds received from LPAA activities, as well as the 10% contribution to LPAA required from any current Leadership Paducah class activities, the LPAA has established a Leadership Paducah Alumni Association, Inc. Continuing Education Scholarship (LPAACES).

Whereas: The purpose is to assist Leadership Paducah alumni with continuing their education, with first preference given to those continuing at local education institutions: West Kentucky Community and Technical College, Murray State University, or University of Kentucky College of Engineering-Paducah Campus. Exceptions to these institutions may be allowed if agreed upon by a majority vote of the LPAA Board during the selection process. This scholarship can be used for certifications related to current position as well as a scholarship.

Whereas: The LPAACE Scholarship will be considered a renewable scholarship based on funds available each year.

Scholarship Presentation

To apply, complete the application and send to the Leadership Paducah Alumni Association c/o Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 810, Paducah, KY 42002-0810. Scholarships can be awarded each quarter. Application deadlines are as follows:

- First quarter distribution – Applications due by the last business day of February
- Second quarter distribution – Applications due by the last business day of May
- Third quarter distribution – Applications due by the last business day of August
- Fourth quarter distribution – Applications due by the last business day of November

The minimum amount to be given will be \$500 and the maximum will be \$1,000.

Guidelines

1. The scholarship shall be known as the “Leadership Paducah Alumni Association Continuing Education Scholarship.”
2. The LPAA Board or a designated committee appointed by the LPAA Board and made up of at least three Leadership Paducah alumni will make the final choice of recipient(s).
3. The LPAA Board will review funding each year to determine if the Board has adequate funds to continue the scholarship for the next school year. The LPAA Board will notify the President of the Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce of the plans each year regarding the scholarship. If the scholarship is to be awarded, an email will be sent from the Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce to all contactable Leadership Paducah alumni (currently on the Chamber’s distribution list) to notify them of the availability of the scholarship. The scholarship will also be promoted through other sources (newspaper, Chamber e-news, LPAA and Chamber websites).
4. Scholarship(s) can be awarded each quarter. An award for a certification program will be reviewed on an as needed basis. The LPAA Board shall also notify the Chamber of the recipient(s) at that time.
5. The scholarship is for a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$1,000 per academic year with 50% payable at the beginning of each semester and shall be paid directly to the institution. The remainder of the scholarship will be awarded upon completion of the program applied for. The award may be used for tuition, books, and/or student fees billed by the institution. More than one scholarship may be presented, if funds are available, and if approved by a majority vote by the LPAA Board.
6. Recipient(s) must be a graduate of Leadership Paducah and a current LPAA member. Leadership Paducah is a program administered by the Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce.
7. Recipients shall be enrolled in a program working towards completion of a degree or certification program.
8. Recipient(s) may reapply for the scholarship if he/she is in a multi-year program.
9. Applicants shall complete the scholarship application.
10. Applicants may be a part-time or full-time student.
11. There shall be no preference given with regard to sex, race, gender or religious affiliation.
12. Changes to these guidelines may be made by a review and majority vote of the LPAA Board.