



## NEW JERSEY STATE FMBA ERNEST O. OUSLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

### ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR 2023 – 2024

Application deadline is **February 28, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS** and must be submitted, either electronically or physically, by 4pm on February 28, 2024

Application must be typewritten or computer generated.

Please see attached Guidelines, Requirements, and Judging Criteria.

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

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of NJ FMBA Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

NJ FMBA Local Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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OR GLUE  
WALLET SIZE  
PHOTO  
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Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE LOCAL FMBA PRESIDENT OR DELEGATE:

- **LOCAL NJ FMBA OFFICER (PRESIDENT OR EXECUTIVE DELEGATE) CERTIFICATION THAT APPLICANT'S PARENT OR GRANDPARENT IS AN ACTIVE, DUES-PAYING MEMBER OF AN NJ FMBA LOCAL OR A DECEASED MEMBER OF SAID LOCAL. (LOCAL 500 MEMBERSHIP WILL BE VERIFIED AND SIGNED UPON RECEIPT AT STATE OFFICE, SIGNATURES FROM THE LOCAL RETIRED FROM ARE NOT VALID)**

NJ FMBA Local Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Local NJ FMBA President or Executive Delegate Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Local NJ FMBA President or Executive Delegate Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES**

Please list any scholastic organizations that you are/were involved in. If you were an officer of that organization, please indicate the position or positions you held and dates you held them.

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**AWARDS, HONORS, OR RECOGNITIONS**

Please list any scholastic honors or awards you have received or are scheduled to receive.

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**SCHOOL RELATED EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Please list any organizations, clubs or teams that you are a member of. Also, indicate what part you play in any you belong to.

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**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Please list any outside activities (community, fraternal or volunteer) that you participate in. List them in their order of importance to you. Give us a general idea of the activities, the amount of time you devote and any positions you may hold. If you feel any should be of special interest to the committee, mention them and let us know why they should be given extra consideration.

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**WORK EXPERIENCE/HOBBIES**

Please list any work experience by giving the job, employer and hours per week on the job. Include part-time and/or summer jobs. Make sure to include the work you plan for the next summer. Also describe any hobbies you have that you feel would be of interest to the committee.

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**LEADERSHIP SKILLS OR ROLES**

Please list any leadership skills you possess or leadership roles you have held or currently hold, both in an out of school.

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**PERSONAL OR FAMILY ATTRIBUTES**

Please list any personal or family attributes you would like to share with the Selection Committee.

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**PLEASE ATTACH AN ESSAY ON THE FOLLOWING TOPIC  
NOT TO EXCEED 500 WORDS**

***Explain how your parent or grandparent being a First Responder has influenced your life.***

**APPLICANT'S CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED MATERIALS**

- ☐ 1. Completed, Signed Original Application Typewritten or Computer Generated
- ☐ 2. Certification and ***Signature*** by Local NJ FMBA Officer (***Local 500 membership will be verified upon receipt at State office***)
- ☐ 3. Non-Family Member Letter of Recommendation (***Not school associated***)
- ☐ 4. Teacher, Principal, or Guidance Counselor Letter of Recommendation
- ☐ 5. Essay on given topic (***Not to Exceed 500 Words***)
- ☐ 6. Recent High School Picture (***Wallet-sized Only: Must be Included***)

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

Absolute deadline for applications is **February 28, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS.**

All applications must be **IN THE STATE FMBA OFFICE** by **4 pm** on the **FEBRUARY 28, 2024 DEADLINE** this applies to electronic submissions as well.

Applications must be typewritten or computer generated and either e-mailed or mailed to NJ FMBA office.  
IF SUBMITTING BY MAIL, **DO NOT STAPLE ANY PAGES.**

**DO NOT STAPLE OR FOLD ANY APPLICATION MATERIAL**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE AND THAT ALL ATTACHMENTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE.**

Recommendations **MUST** be sent **WITH** the application, **NOT** Separately. If school will not give student the recommendations, student should request school submits entire applications and attachments on student's behalf.

All applications will be opened on or about March 1<sup>st</sup>  
and under no circumstances will an applicant be notified  
of any packet disqualification.

***Winners will be notified by mail and published in the NJ FMBA Bulletin.  
No other notifications will be sent out.***

**MAIL COMPLETE PACKAGE IN LARGE 9 X 12 ENVELOPE TO:**

**N.J. STATE FMBA  
1447 CAMPBELL STREET  
RAHWAY, NJ 07065-3212  
ATTN: SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**OR**

**E-Mail the Entire Submission in PDF Format to:**

[scholarships@njfmba.org](mailto:scholarships@njfmba.org)

Receipt of the electronically submitted application will be  
acknowledged via e-mail.

## **GUIDELINES, REQUIREMENTS, AND JUDGING CRITERIA**

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Four scholarships will be awarded. Each award will be for \$1,500 per year, up to a \$6,000 scholarship, payable directly to the institution of higher education being attended by the recipient. This will be renewed as long as the recipient maintains a scholastic average satisfactory to the institution he/she is attending. Recipients must be accepted by an accredited institution of higher learning (college, university, career or vocational school). The scholarship award will be continued for a recipient attending a two-year college who transfers to an accredited four-year college or university. Maximum award is \$6,000.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applications will be limited to:

- High school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of Active NJ FMBA members
- High school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of Local 500 NJ FMBA members
- High school seniors who are the children of deceased active or retired NJ FMBA members who were members at the time of their death

### **REQUIREMENTS BEYOND PHYSICAL APPLICATION AND ESSAY**

- Each application **MUST BE SIGNED** by either the President or Executive Delegate of the Local FMBA to certify eligibility, Local 500 applications will be verified and signed once submitted. Signatures from the Local from which a member is retired is not eligible. NJ FMBA members will be required to maintain NJ FMBA membership for duration of scholarship. Retired members will be required to maintain membership in Local 500 for duration of scholarship.
- Diploma Requirements: The applicant must be a bona fide student of a private, parochial or public school eligible to receive a high school diploma at the completion of the senior year prior to September 1 of the year of enrollment in an institution of higher learning.
- Aspirations: The student must have a definite plan to pursue a post-high school program of education or training ***on a full time basis***.
- Character: The applicant must exhibit good citizenship traits and be of sound moral character.
- Applicant must arrange for and obtain the two letters of recommendation. These recommendations must be included in the application paperwork submitted by the applicant to the NJ FMBA by the February 28<sup>th</sup> deadline. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Applicants will be judged on nine (9) criteria, using a point system, with the maximum obtainable score being 50 points. The criteria are:

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| 1. Scholastic Activities   | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 2. Awards, Honors, and Recognitions                                | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 3. Extracurricular School Related Activities                       | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 4. Community Service/Volunteerism (High School)                    | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 5. Work History (High School)                                      | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 6. Leadership Skills and Roles                                     | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 7. Personal and Family Attributes                                  | - Maximum 5 points  |
| 8. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation(one of each):                 | - Maximum 5 points  |
| * Non-Family Member Recommendation( <b>Not School Associated</b> ) |                     |
| * Teacher, Principal, or Guidance Counselor Recommendation         |                     |
| 9. Essay   | - Maximum 10 points |
| Addresses Topic Given  |                     |
| Grammar, Spelling, and Format                                      |                     |

### **IMPORTANT**

**FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES AND FULFILL ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS REQUESTED MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR APPLICATION.**