Ohio News Media Foundation Scholarships for Academic Year 2020-21

The Ohio News Media Foundation, in alignment with its mission of achieving the highest standards of excellence and professionalism in all phases of journalism and newspaper publishing, awards scholarships to high school and collegiate students annually. The foundation provides funding through a variety of events and donations to this fund. Donations are accepted at ONM Foundation.

Ohio High School Scholarships

► 2020-21 Minority Journalism Scholarship - $1,250

This award is specifically for Ohio high school minority students who are graduating seniors interested in studying journalism, advertising, marketing or communications at an accredited college or university within the United States during the academic year 2020-21.

Eligibility:

- Applicants should be African American, Hispanic, Asian American or American Indian.
- Graduating senior at Ohio high school.
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 (C+) required

► 2020-21 Ohio High School Journalism Scholarship – $1,250

This award is for Ohio high school students who are graduating seniors interested in studying journalism, advertising, marketing or communications at an accredited college or university within the United States during the academic year 2020-21.

Eligibility:

- Graduating senior at Ohio high school.
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 (C+) required

Ohio College and University Scholarships

The Harold K. Douthit Scholarship - $1,000
This award is for a student currently enrolled and majoring in a field relevant to our industry, particularly journalism, advertising, marketing, or communications degree program at an Ohio college or university. The scholarship is named for Harold K. Douthit, founder of Douthit Communications, Inc., Sandusky, and a former president of the Ohio News Media Association.

Eligibility:

- Student currently enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior at an Ohio college or university for the Academic Year 2020-21.
- Majoring in field relevant to our industry, particularly journalism, marketing, or communications.
- Minimum GPA 2.5 (C+)

Ohio News Media Foundation University Journalism Scholarship - $1,250

This award is for a student currently enrolled and majoring in a field relevant to our industry, particularly journalism, advertising, marketing, or communications degree program at an Ohio college or university.

Eligibility:

- Student currently enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior at an Ohio college or university for the Academic Year 2020-21.
- Majoring in field relevant to our industry, particularly journalism, marketing, or communications.
- Minimum GPA 2.5 (C+)

Application Information:

- Deadline for all applications is end of business Friday, May 15, 2020.

- All applicants must use application form provided by Ohio News Media Foundation. For application click Scholarship applications.
In order to be considered the application and all included documents must be typed or printed legibly.

Applicants must provide:

- Accurate and completed application form with required signatures.
- Autobiography composed to demonstrate writing ability, not less than 500 words and not more than 750, that effectively describes academic and career interests, extracurricular activities especially those related to journalism. The essay should include reasons for financial assistance.
- Two letters or recommendation from faculty members familiar with student’s work and career interests and some knowledge of outside pursuits related to journalism or civic involvement.
- Applicants are encouraged to provide writing samples or other relevant work samples that have been published in print or digitally. (Limit two samples total)

Applications may be sent via regular mail or email but must be received by end of business on Friday, May 15, 2020 for consideration.

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Scholarships will be awarded on June 15, 2020. Awards will be paid directly to winner’s college or university account.

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