

Title: Cardinal Chapter Educational Scholarship	
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I. POLICY PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to provide consistent policy and procedures to fairly award and distribute the Cardinal Chapter Educational Scholarship.

II. POLICY BACKGROUND:

The Cardinal Chapter of the NCENA is committed to encouraging the professional development of Cardinal Chapter members through the awarding of one \$500 scholarship.

III. PROTOCOL:

A. Application criteria:

- i. Must be a current resident of North Carolina.
- ii. Must possess a valid, non-restricted, nursing license (RN) issued by the North Carolina Board of Nursing.
- iii. Must be a full or part-time student enrolled in an undergraduate/graduate nursing program.
- iv. At the time of application, applicant must be an active ENA voting member - attending at least 80% of the Cardinal ENA Chapter meetings (5 out of 6).
- v. Applicant must be in good standing at their educational institution with a GPA of at least 3.0.
- vi. Applicant must attend one North Carolina ENA State or Chapter sponsored educational event.
- vii. Applicant must demonstrate a strong desire to enter/remain in emergency medicine upon graduation.

B. Submission criteria:

- i. Verification from the current ENA chapter president of meetings attended.
- ii. Proof of paid tuition.
- iii. Proof of North Carolina state residency (valid NC Real ID Driver's License).
- iv. Proof of active RN license issued by North Carolina Board of Nursing (NCBON)

- v. A copy of their school's acceptance letter or most recent transcript demonstrating good academic standing.
- vi. A brief essay (300 - 500 words) describing their intent to enter/remain in a career in emergency medicine.
- vii. Completion of the application in its entirety.
- viii. Letter of recommendation by one professor or employer. Letters of recommendation by family and co-workers are not accepted.

C. Scholarship timeline and restrictions:

- i. Application will open annually on May 1st and will close on June 30.
- ii. The applicant will be selected by the current Cardinal Chapter ENA board members by July 31 yearly.
- iii. Awardee will be announced at the August Cardinal Chapter Membership meeting.
- iv. Recipient will be chosen based on the application criteria, intent to enter/remain in emergency medicine, and letter of recommendation.
- v. Current ENA Cardinal Chapter board members are not eligible to apply for the scholarship, unless there are no additional applicants meeting provided criteria.

D. Scholarship application process:

- i. Fill out the application at: Download via the link in this announcement
- ii. Email proof of paid tuition, North Carolina state residency, school's acceptance letter or most recent transcript, and letter of recommendation to: cardinal@northcarolinaena.org
- iii. The complete application and all associated documents must be received by June 30 at 2359.