

## Western Pennsylvania Golf Association 930 North Lincoln AVE, STE 1 ♦ Pittsburgh, PA 15233

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND

To: SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

Date: Summer 2025

The Western Pennsylvania Golf Association would like to inform you about its Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship Fund originally began in 1941 as a Caddie Scholarship Fund but has since expanded to include club employees in the clubhouse, the golf shop, golf course, swimming pool or tennis courts. Persons who have been employed at Member Clubs of the Western Pennsylvania Golf Association for at least two seasons are eligible to apply.

This scholarship has a unique feature in that it is renewable for up to four years or until graduation, whichever is shorter. Students must maintain a 2.8 GPA per term to continue receiving the scholarship. The program 16 students. The scholarship's value is calculated annually, based on the fund's performance, donations and the number of participants. The total value is about \$20,000 (over 4 years).

The program is open to High School seniors or students in their freshman or sophomore years of college. Any interested candidate must fill out the enclosed forms and submit them by the deadline along with the other required information. The committee weighs financial need, academic performance and extracurricular activities along with their employment at a WPGA Member Club in determining the interview candidates. Potential Finalists will need to submit a copy of their "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" to the WPGA. Finalist interviews will be conducted in April of next year. Official announcement of the successful candidates will be in late April.

An additional scholarship opportunity we'd like to mention that is just available for caddies who are rising seniors in high school or college freshmen, is the Evans Scholarship, offered through the Western Golf Association Evans Scholars Foundation. The Evans Scholarship is a full tuition scholarship for high-achieving caddies with limited financial means. To qualify, caddies must meet the requirements of having a strong caddie record, excellent academics, demonstrated financial need and outstanding character. The entire application, including supporting documents, are expected to be completed by October 15<sup>th</sup>. For additional information on the scholarship or to apply, please go to www.wgaesf.org/a-life-changing-opportunity/applying-evans-scholarship.

Sincerely,

WPGA Scholarship Committee