

Application for the 2011 Essay Contest

U.S. Contestants Only



(Canadian applications are available in English and in French with a different topic)

JAMES R. HOFFA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

James R. Hoffa became a Teamster member in 1934, served as General President for 14 years, and, in recognition of his tireless service to the Union and its members, was honored as General President Emeritus for life. At the November 1999 General Executive Board meeting, General Secretary-Treasurer C. Thomas Keegel presented a resolution to establish a new scholarship fund in recognition of Hoffa's outstanding contributions to the Union.

The James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund Essay Contest will award \$1,000.00 scholarships annually to 50 students. **All applicants must comply with the following eligibility criteria.**

1. Be the son, daughter or grandchild of an eligible Teamster member;
2. Be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate college, university or community college program, or a technical or vocational program;
3. Be 23 years old or younger by September 30, 2011.

The applicant's Teamster parent/grandparent must be able to demonstrate that:

1. He/she was a member in good standing for (i) 12 consecutive months prior to the application deadline; or (ii) 12 consecutive months preceding the member's retirement/disability/death; or (iii) 12 consecutive months prior to the member's layoff (layoff date must be no earlier than three years prior to the application deadline); or (iv) a period of less than 12 consecutive months prior to the application deadline, together with 12 consecutive months of good standing during some other period; and
2. He/she was not a full-time elected officer during the relevant period of good standing listed above.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

1. Applicant and Teamster parent or grandparent must complete questions 1-12.
2. Applicant must attach, on a separate sheet, a type-written essay of 500 words or less. (Essays will not be returned.)
3. Applicant must forward the completed application and essay to the James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund office by **September 30, 2011. We cannot allow any extensions to this deadline.**

2011 ESSAY TOPIC:

In the last year, Unions and our defense against the war on workers has been at the forefront of the national news. What action would you recommend that the Teamsters take to increase student interest and participation in this fight for worker justice?

Upon completion please forward
Your application and essay to:

James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund
2011 Essay Contest
25 Louisiana Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Only completed applications will be considered. Essays will be reviewed by a panel of independent labor educators and the winners will be selected based on the quality and content of the applicant's response. The Selection Committee will consider all applications without regard to race, religion, gender, disability, or any other legally protected status. **If requested, winners should be prepared to submit their essay electronically.**

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W. C. (WILLIE) SMITH, *President* • C. THOMAS KEEGEL, *Treasurer*

APPLICANT: PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Name

Last (Do not include Jr., II, etc) _____

First (Do not use nickname) _____

2. Address

Street _____

City and State _____

U.S. Zip Code _____ OR Canadian Postal Code _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____
Include area code

3. U.S. Social Security Number or
Canadian Social Insurance No. _____

4. Gender M F Date of Birth _____

5. Full name of university, college or technical/vocational school you currently attend.

Name _____ City and State _____

6. Type of School: 4-year 2-year Technical/Vocational

7. Local Union/Lodge/Div. Number: _____

8. Local Union/Lodge/Div. Address _____

9. Has the Local/Lodge/Div. joined the Teamsters through a merged conference? If so, specify.

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10. Full name of Teamster: Parent or Grandparent _____
Teamster Parent/Grandparent's Employer Name and Address

Name _____ City and State _____

Teamster Parent/Grandparent's Occupation _____

11. Teamster Parent/Grandparent's Ledger,
Social Security or Social Insurance No. _____

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

The James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship funds are to be used exclusively for tuition, related fees, room and board. In the event that you should withdraw from school for any reason, the unused balance is to revert to the James R. Hoffa Scholarship Fund. You Teamster parent or grandparent must document his or her good standing before the disbursement of any funds by the Scholarship Fund. The membership standing is determined by the Local Union's By-Laws. If the Teamster parent or grandparent is no longer a member in good standing, the scholarship may be forfeited. By signing this application, the student agrees to allow the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and/or the James R. Hoffa Scholarship Fund to publish all or prt of his/her essay in any union or scholarship related publication or electronic format.