

# SCHOLARSHIP

## Application Request Coupon



### CHECK CATEGORY:

- Members' College
- Spouses' College
- Dependents' College/Vocational

### CHECK ELIGIBILITY:

- OCSEA member
- spouse of member
- child of member

### PLEASE PRINT

Applicant's Full Name:  Last 4 digits of Social Security No.:

Street Address:  Apt.:

City:  Zip:  Phone:

Member's Full Name:  Last 4 digits of Social Security No.:

Agency:  Member's Work Phone:

Home Phone:  Member's home email address:

**NOTE:** By completing this form, you are only requesting an application which will be mailed to you. Completing this request form is not considered a scholarship application. Applications may be downloaded or completed online by visiting [www.ocsea.org/lesbest](http://www.ocsea.org/lesbest).

**MAIL TO:**  
 OCSEA Les Best Scholarship Fund  
 390 Worthington Road - Ste. A  
 Westerville, OH 43082  
**OR FAX TO:**  
 The Scholarship fax: 614-865-4777

### Eligibility

Spouses and dependent children of OCSEA members who are enrolled in – or who have been accepted into and plan to attend – a full-time union apprenticeship, vocational school, technical school or an accredited college or university (undergraduate level) are eligible to apply for the Spouses' College or the Dependents' College/Vocational Scholarships.

Dues-paying union members with full-time or part-time status at an accredited university or college (undergraduate level) are eligible to apply for the Members' College Scholarship.

Awards are good for one year. However, applicants may re-apply in subsequent years for additional awards – not to exceed two scholarship awards.

### Application Request

To request a Les Best Scholarship application packet, complete the form on the left or go online to complete your application.

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 Scholarship fax: 614-865-4777  
 Scholarship mailbox: OCSEA Les Best Scholarship Fund  
 390 Worthington Rd. – Ste. A  
 Westerville, OH 43082

### Application Deadline

To be considered for an award, applications must be completed and all required materials postmarked no later than April 30, 2012. Incomplete applications or applications received after this date will not be considered. For more information, please call OCSEA at 800-969-4702 or locally, 614-865-4733 and refer to the Les Best Scholarship.

### Selection Process

The scholarship selection committee – a group of distinguished educators and labor union representatives – examines and considers all required materials submitted and awards at least eight scholarships each year. Recipients' names are published in the summer issue of OCSEA's *Public Employee Quarterly*.



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# Les Best SCHOLARSHIP FALL OF 2012



**Dependents' College/Vocational SCHOLARSHIP**

**Members' College SCHOLARSHIP**

**Spouses' College SCHOLARSHIP**

## Update for 2012...

Those applying for the Les Best Members' College Scholarship will automatically be considered for one of two \$250 scholarships for textbooks from the Pat Callanan-Castro Memorial Book Scholarship fund.

**PAT CALLANAN-CASTRO**  
 Memorial Book Scholarship



OCSEA/AFSCME Local 11 is proud to announce the annual

# Les Best Scholarship Program

This fund continues to grant educational financial-assistance awards to active dues-paying OCSEA members, their dependent children and spouses. Yearly, eight to ten scholarships are awarded totaling \$12,000.

## Les Best Scholarships are awarded in four categories:

### Dependents' College/Vocational Scholarship

For undergraduate students entering or already enrolled full-time in a college or university; or students entering or enrolled in a full-time vocational, trade or technical school or union apprenticeship. **Four \$2,000** scholarships, OR **three \$2,000** scholarships and **two \$1,000** scholarships — to be determined by the committee.

### Members' College Scholarship

for active members who are full-time or part-time undergraduate students, or who will begin classes in the fall; either **two \$2,000** scholarships or **four \$500** scholarships.

### Spouses' College Scholarship

for active members who are full-time or part-time undergraduate students, or who will begin classes in the fall; either **two \$1,000** scholarships or **four \$500** scholarships.

## How To Apply

**Online and mail in applications now available at [www.ocsea.org/lesbest](http://www.ocsea.org/lesbest).** To apply online, log in using your MyOCSEA account or create a MyOCSEA account as directed. Fill out the Les Best application and type in your essay, being sure to save your progress as you go. Mail reference letter, transcripts or acceptance letter as required to OCSEA:

**OCSEA Les Best Scholarship Fund**  
390 Worthington Rd. Ste. A  
Westerville, Ohio 43082

Or assemble and submit by mail the following materials to the address listed above. Deadline for both is **by April 30, 2011**.

- The Les Best Scholarship application, completed and signed.
- An official copy of the applicant's acceptance letter to a union apprenticeship program, vocational school or an accredited college or university for undergraduate studies.
- A 500-1,000 word essay typewritten on white 8½" x 11" paper must address the question, "What would have been the impact of Senate Bill 5/Issue 2 on Ohio workers and what role did OCSEA play in its defeat?"
- An official high school transcript or an official college transcript, whichever is applicable. (Not required for the Spouse Scholarship).
- The results of the applicant's Scholastic Aptitude Test or American College Test (Graduating high school seniors only. Not applicable for students enrolling in vocational, trade or technical schools.)
- The academic reference form completed and signed.



## Who was Les Best?

*Les Best was an Ohio Civil Service Employees Association state officer and former math teacher at the Ohio Veterans Children's Home. Believing in OCSEA's dedication to improving the quality of life for its members and their children, Les felt an obligation to promote higher education and training.*

*In 1989, he proposed that OCSEA begin a scholarship for the children of active members and retirees.*

*Les Best died that same year, having served OCSEA for 10 years as an officer and 22 years as a member of its Board of Directors. Les was loved by many and his memory and dedication lives on through the Les Best Scholarship.*

# LES BEST