

THE LESTER C. MARRISON  
TEACHER EDUCATION  
BOOK GRANT

***SPONSORED BY THE NORTHEAST REGION of the OHIO  
SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION***

***APPLICATION DUE DATE: JANUARY 15.***

**NORTHEAST REGION  
OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION  
LESTER C. MARRISON TEACHER EDUCATION BOOK GRANT**

**PURPOSE:**

This book grant award is presented to a high school senior in Northeast Ohio, whose school district is a member of the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA). The Northeast Region is committed to inspiring and encouraging capable teacher education candidates to serve the youth of Ohio. The Executive Committee of the Northeast Region sponsors this book grant. This group is comprised of elected school board members throughout Northeast Ohio, who are interested in providing support to high school senior(s) who have demonstrated an interest in education or working with children and are attending an accredited Ohio college or university.

The book grant will be awarded annually and the recipient, along with his or her parents, will be guests of the Northeast Region, at its annual spring conferences. Special recognition will be provided to the district(s), board members, and student(s). The award has been made possible by the donations of board members active in the Northeast Region and from profits of region workshops and fundraising activities.

This book grant was named in memory of Lester C. Marrison, a long-time member of the Northeast Region Executive Committee and the OSBA Board of Trustees. Marrison had a passionate interest in teacher education, and it is in his memory that the Northeast Region continues this award.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

- Applicant must be a graduating senior currently enrolled in a school district whose board is a member of OSBA in the Northeast Region, and who plans to pursue a career in education or working with children.
- Applicant must be admitted to an accredited college or university in the state of Ohio.
- Applicant must have a 3.00 or greater grade point average (GPA).
- Applicant must demonstrate potential as an educational leader and competent professional; must demonstrate community involvement and must have evidence of good character.
- Demonstrated financial need will be considered in the selection process.

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- Applicants in the Northeast Region of OSBA will be responsible for forwarding their applications and transcripts for consideration for the Lester Marrison Teacher Education Book Grant by **January 15**.
- The Northeast Region, Award Committee will review all book grant applications and will contact the winner for recognition at the annual spring conferences.

**QUESTIONS AND APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:**  
Reno Contipelli at [rcontipelli@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:rcontipelli@ohioschoolboards.org) or (216) 288-1704

**NORTHEAST REGION OSBA  
LESTER C. MARRISON TEACHER EDUCATION BOOK GRANT  
APPLICATION FORM DEADLINE: January 15**

This \$1,000 book grant is awarded to a high school graduate in Northeast Ohio whose school district is a member of the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA). To be eligible for this book grant, the applicant must be:

- Planning to pursue a career in education or working with children.
- Admitted to an accredited college or university in the state of Ohio.
- Possess a 3.00 or greater grade point average (GPA).
- Submit the following information along with this completed application:
  - an official copy of current high school transcript;
  - two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher and one from a community member);
  - demonstrated potential as an educational leader and competent professional, community involvement and evidence of good character (for example, a listing of participation in leadership positions, extracurricular activities and community involvement);
  - a one-page essay describing:
    - Future plans and intended major, including college/university planning to attend.
    - Reason(s) for wanting to pursue a career in education or working with children.
    - Contributions applicant wants to make as an educational leader.
- Demonstrated financial need will be considered in the selection process. Applicant may include such areas as: number of siblings; other members of family currently enrolled in higher education; personal hardships applicant has had to endure; and obstacles to applicant's success in life.

Name:

Home Phone:

Address:

Grade Point Average:

City and Zip Code:

Cell Phone:

High School:

School Phone:

Address

School District:

City and Zip Code:

**Attn: Guidance Department**

ACT/SAT SCORES: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS RANK: \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_

Verified by: \_\_\_\_\_

(Guidance Counselor signature)

PLEASE NOTE: All applications NOT accompanied by the supporting documentation described above or received after the due date will be ineligible for consideration.

**I ATTEST THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE AND IN THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.**

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**SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL OFFICIAL  
(PRINCIPAL/GUIDANCE COUNSELOR)**

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**DATE**

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**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**

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**DATE**

**RETURN BY January 15 to:**

**Northeast Regional Manager Reno Contipelli at  
[rcontipelli@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:rcontipelli@ohioschoolboards.org)**