

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The scholarships offered by the Illinois Association for Home and Community Education are:

- A. IAHCE Member Education Scholarships: These Scholarships are awarded by the IAHCE Scholarship Committee according to the guidelines found in the IAHCE Guidebook.

All scholarships are offered with no discriminations to sex, age, years in school, national origin.

- B. Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship which is offered by our affiliate CWC. Information can be found in the IAHCE Guidebook guidelines page 71 and at [www.cwcusa.org](http://www.cwcusa.org)

Scholarships are renewable to qualified applicants.

## **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE GUIDELINES**

This Committee shall consist of four members who are presently on the IAHCE Board. They will serve revolving two-year terms so that two new members will be appointed each year. The IAHCE Secretary should not be a member of this committee, because she/he would know the identity of the applicants.

### **DUTIES OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:**

- Review scholarship guidelines yearly.

- Choose full time recipients.

- Directs the IAHCE Treasurer to issue checks for scholarship recipients.

Full scholarships of \$500 each up to ten (10) scholarships awarded yearly if funds are available.

## **IAHCE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

1. The applicant must be a member in good standing or an immediate family member, child or grandchild, niece or nephew of such member of a county HCE/HEA for a minimum of three years. Recipient of an IAHCE Scholarship must be a current resident of Illinois regardless of whether they attend a school in Illinois.
2. The applicant must attend a vocational institution or institution of higher learning working toward a vocational certification, undergraduate degree or graduate degree.
3. The Applicant must submit a new application each year. Past recipients may not apply again.
4. For each of the full (\$500) scholarships, the student must be considered a full-time student by the college the student is/will be attending. Auditing of classes cannot be included in minimum hours.
5. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to make judgment in cases not covered by the guidelines.
6. Students must maintain a 2.0 point © average. Transcript required for most current school year.
7. Payment of all scholarships is made in two installments. The first half of payment will be made by July 1. The second half will be made no earlier than January 1 – upon receipt of the student’s fall grades transcript by the scholarship committee chairman. Her/his name and address will be on the letter of acceptance that carries the July check.
8. Scholarship applications must be postmarked by May 1.
9. All applications will receive a letter by July 1 indicating whether or not they are recipients of the scholarship.
10. A photo must be attached to the cover page of the application. These photos will be used by IAHCE for publicity purpose (Newsletter/Annual Conference). If an applicant is not accepted for a scholarship, the photo will be returned.
11. If for any reason, the applicant is unable to enroll, the awarded scholarship is to be returned in full to the IAHCE Treasurer.
12. No current IAHCE Board Member will be eligible for a scholarship.
13. The IAHCE Board Secretary will receive the application – keeping the cover page until the scholarship winners have been chosen, so that the committee will not know the identity of the applicants until after selections are made.

**APPLICATION FOR IAHCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Please type or print. The completed application must be postmarked by May 1 and sent to the IAHCE Secretary whose name is listed on page 1 of the Guidebook or on the [www.iahce.org](http://www.iahce.org) website.

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

IAHCE Membership Verification:

IAHCE Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Self \_\_\_\_ Parent \_\_\_\_ Grandparent \_\_\_\_ Niece \_\_\_\_ Nephew

\_\_\_\_ Current Member 3 + Years in Good Standing

County Verification by Current County Officer:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_

State Board Verification:

State Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a recent photo to this page.

**APPLICATION FOR IAHCE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

(Additional sheets may be used)

How many years have you or your family member been a member of IAHCE?: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are an IAHCE member, list all HCE offices held in Unit, county or state level: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List names of High School (s) or college (s) attended and number of years each: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of college you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of course of study or major you plan to take: \_\_\_\_\_

What license, certificate or degree is granted on completion?: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your employment goals/plans?: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be considered a full-time student by the college you attend? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for this scholarship before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received this scholarship before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the most current grade transcript.

List other Honors and awards received: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List School Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

List Community/Church Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List Your Work Experiences: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach two non-family letters of recommendation. (Written within the last six (6) months.)

Attach a short essay (approximately 250 words) stating your educational goals and career.

## RUTH B. SAYRE SCHOLARSHIP

Sponsored by  
Country Women's Council USA  
The Associated Country Women of the World

Mrs. Ruth Buxton Sayre attained national and international recognition championing a better way of life for rural people. Her efforts on behalf of rural women and families spanned three decades and earned her high posts in state, national and international organizations. She served as ACWW President 1947-1953.

One of her many distinctions included being the only woman appointed to a USA Advisory Committee by President Eisenhower. In 1976 she was honored by being inducted into the Iowa Woman's Hall of Fame.

"If goods don't cross the borders, soldiers will," expresses her views on trade and peace. She constantly encouraged women to "let out the seams" of their thinking.

The aim of this memorial scholarship is to lift people, in her name, by helping them to help themselves through education

### RUTH B. SAYRE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES (Revised March 2015)

#### I. Eligibility:

1. Be a legal resident of USA
2. Live in a state of a CWC member society.
3. Demonstrate leadership ability need.
4. Have a financial need.
5. Carry a minimum of nine (9) credit hours.

#### II. General Conditions:

- a. Country Women's Council (CWC) administer the fund.
- b. Scholarship (s) shall be paid up to the amount of \$500.00 for a 12-month period of study.
- c. Funds may be used to supplement tuition, books, or other required educational needs.
- d. Scholarship recipients may apply for the same award the succeeding year if satisfactory progress is made.

#### III. Applications

1. Applicant need not be a member of ACWW – CWC.
2. Application forms – available on CWC web site – must be sent through applicant's state society chair or president of a ACWW – CWC affiliated society list on website: [www.cwcusa.org](http://www.cwcusa.org).  
Due date is March 1.
3. Application shall contain;
  - a. two (2) reference letters (only) **must be from Non-family members**.
  - b. transcript of grades.
  - c. a summary of applicant's experiences goals and financial need.
4. Applications from society president or chair shall be postmarked to: CWC Vice-Chairperson by April 1. Name and address found on website [www.cwcusa.org](http://www.cwcusa.org).

#### IV. Administration:

The Scholarship Selection Committee shall consist of:

- a. The Vice Chairperson of CWC who serves as chair.
- b. Three qualified judges appointed by the chairperson.
- c. Winners will be posted on website [www.cwcusa.org](http://www.cwcusa.org) after June 1.