

**New York State Association of
Educational Office Professionals**

Student with Disabilities Incentive Award



Applications MUST be postmarked by July 15 and mailed to:

**Kathy Booth
NYSAEOP Scholarship Chairperson
Student with Disabilities Award Chairperson
25 Mechanic Street
Antwerp NY 13608**

Please read carefully and follow the Guidelines



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STUDENT WITH DISABILITIES INCENTIVE AWARD

GUIDELINES FOR SPONSORING MEMBER

This incentive award is designed to assist a high school student with an identified disability who will be using funds at the discretion of their parent(s) or guardian(s).

The incentive award is valued at \$250.

SPONSORING MEMBER REQUIREMENTS/INFORMATION:

1. *Applicant must be sponsored by a current Member of NYSAEOP for the Student with Disabilities Incentive Award during the current year (Jan 1 – Dec 31). Sponsoring member must submit an application fee of twenty (\$20).*
2. A current Member may sponsor only one candidate and is responsible for distributing packets and collecting the completed application.
3. A sponsoring Member must submit candidate application and supporting documentation to the NYSAEOP Scholarship Chairperson postmarked no later than July 15.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. Satisfactory completion of a goal as indicated on the student's individualized education plan.
2. Satisfactory participation in school program as indicated by attendance records.
3. Documentation of proof of registration and/or participation in referral procedures for students with disabilities, community-based support agencies, supported-living homes, etc.
4. Samples of exemplary work demonstrating student achievement toward planning for adulthood, including but not limited to goal-setting, consumer awareness, personal care, peer relationships, etc.
5. Other examples of student commitment to his/her entrance to adulthood.

Sponsoring individual must be current NYSAEOP member to be eligible to submit any application for recognition or awards.



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CHECKLIST

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- ___ Application
- ___ Personal statement – either written or video/audio tape
- ___ Statement from Parent, Guardian, Special Education Teacher, Guidance Counselor, Transition Specialist, or School Psychologist listing a goal on student’s IEP that was achieved during the academic year
- ___ Three (3) letters of recommendation (at least one from a teacher, Special Ed Administrator and/or other related service provider)
- ___ Parent/Legal Guardian Release Form and Information Sheet

SPONSORING MEMBER

- ___ Sponsoring Member has paid dues by June 30th of the current year (required)
- ___ \$20 check enclosed (*payable to NYSAEOP*)
- ___ Recommendation of sponsoring member

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM

Please attach this form to your written recommendation and return it to the student in a sealed envelope, so it can be included in the completed application packet.

Name of Applicant: _____ **Date of Birth:** ___/___/___

Description of Incentive Award: The NYSAEOP Student with Disabilities Incentive Award is a \$250 award given to a high school senior with an identified disability who has met one goal on his/her IEP during the academic year.

The Ideal Candidate: The successful candidate for this incentive award will demonstrate a personal commitment to his/her transition from school-based services to adulthood. The student may demonstrate this commitment in a variety of ways that may include the following:

- Satisfactory completion of a goal as indicated on the student's individualized education plan.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: _____ Title: _____

School/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ ext. _____ e-mail: _____

How do you know the applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

On a separate sheet of paper or letterhead, please explain why you are recommending the applicant for this scholarship. Please use the description to guide your comments reflecting upon the applicant's understanding of his/her identified disability, ability to self-advocate, academic ability, etc.



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STUDENT APPLICATION

Applicant Information:

Name _____
Last First M.I.

Date of Birth ____/____/____ ___ Male ___ Female

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name(s) _____

Mailing Address (if different from above) _____

Check all that apply: ___ parent
 ___ legal guardian
 ___ other relative (specify) _____
 ___ other (specify) _____

Telephone (if different from above) _____

E-mail _____



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ADDITIONAL DETAILS

Extracurricular Activities:

Community Activities and/or Work Experience:

Hobbies / Skills:



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Authorization for Release of Information / Records

According to the Federal Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1984, no information about a student's academic performance may be disclosed without the written consent of the student, if he/she is 18 years of age or older, or the consent of his/her parent, if the students is under the age of 18.

Applicants are responsible to arrange for transcripts and other required documentation to be submitted to the sponsoring NYSAEOP member. In the event that NYSAEOP finds it necessary to seek additional information, permission is hereby given to the sponsoring NYSAEOP member to contact school officials and others to request additional information.

NYSAEOP is hereby granted permission to share basic information regarding the applicant with its membership as to why the candidate is the recipient of the award.

Print Name of Applicant _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Print name of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____
(required if applicant is under 18 years of age or unable to sign)



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RECOMMENDATION OF SPONSORING MEMBER

1. Applicant's Name _____
2. Applicant's Address _____

City *State* *Zip*
3. Applicant's Telephone _____
4. Name of Sponsoring Member _____
5. Address of Sponsoring Member _____

City *State* *Zip*
6. Telephone of Sponsoring Member _____
7. Signature of Sponsoring Member _____

Please mail all of the above information to our Scholarship Chairperson:

**Kathy Booth
NYSAEOP Scholarship Chairperson
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Mail no later than July 15th.

Enclose \$20 fee for processing and postage, make check payable to NYSAEOP

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