

Diane Dellanno Scholarship Instructions

Funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria: Students applying for the Diane Dellanno Scholarship are expected to meet the following criteria:

- **Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to passionately pursuing a career in the helping profession (social worker, teacher, counselor, nurse, etc.)**
- Be a graduating senior at a participating Parent Linking Program
- Have 75% participation rate or higher in Group Sessions
- Have an average GPA of 3.0 (B) or better in their senior year
- Be accepted to a community college, university or higher education program

Application Instructions:

- Complete the Diane Dellanno Scholarship Online Application: <https://pcanj.wufoo.com/forms/plp-diane-dellanno-scholarship-copy-z16is55k01htdq2/>
- Submit an official high school transcript (NOT report card)
- Submit a "Letter of Recommendation" from a teacher or guidance counselor. You must inform the person completing your letter of recommendation to include the following:
 - ✓ Describe your character
 - ✓ Describe your commitment to educational pursuits
 - ✓ Why he/she believes you are deserving of the scholarship
- Submit a college acceptance letter from the school you will attend.
- Complete an essay choosing ONE of the topics below. Essays should be a minimum of 1 page in length (maximum of 3 pages) double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12 point font.
- Submit a completed W-9 form (this is a requirement to receive a check from a non-profit agency). You must complete the following sections:
 - ✓ Name
 - ✓ Address
 - ✓ Social security number

*****All application materials can be uploaded with the online application.***** Alternately, materials can be emailed to KOliveira@preventchildabusenj.org. Submissions will receive a confirmation email of what has been received. All required materials must be received by the April 30th deadline. Mailed or faxed applications will not be considered at this time. We suggest that you keep copies of your application materials.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 12, 2021 and will also be announced at the PLP Annual Teen Conference.

Essay Topics: Please choose one essay question to answer.

1. Why have you chosen to pursue a career in the helping profession? Why will you be a good fit for this career? What motivates you to help others in need of care, assistance, and support?
2. What helping profession do you intend to pursue? Why have you chosen this helping profession? What do you hope to accomplish in this field?

Application Deadline: April 30, 2020

Send all application materials to:
KOliveira@preventchildabusenj.org

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