**2025 WM AMBA Scholarship Award --Requirements and Eligibility**

**Scholarship Purpose:**

In recognition of the increasing value of higher education, and a commitment on the part of American Mold Builders Association – West Michigan Chapter to facilitate higher education, this scholarship is intended to assist students who have the desire and ability to further their formal education.

**Scholarship Awards:**

Dependents of employees who are employed at current member companies will be eligible for the award. The number of scholarships and the amount of the scholarship may vary depending on the amount raised and the applications received. The scholarship will be awarded to an eligible high school senior or graduate for the purpose of continuing his/her education at an accredited educational facility. All Scholarships will be issued to the school and student combined, and must be used for the upcoming school year, or be forfeited.

**Selection:**

The Scholarship Selection Committee shall make the final selection of the scholarship recipient from a list of those students making an application under conditions outlined in the following paragraphs of eligibility and application. The Selection Scholarship Committee will consist of individuals selected by the West Michigan AMBA Chapter Board of Directors.

**Eligibility:**

The academic excellence and character of each applicant for the scholarship shall be the controlling factors to be considered by the Committee in awarding the scholarship. However, eligibility will be determined based on the following three (4) requirements:

1. Applicant is a member of a high school senior class and is planning to attend an accredited educational facility as a full-time student, or applicant is a high school graduate enrolled to continue his/her education at an accredited educational facility as a full-time student. For the purpose of this scholarship, full-time student is defined as a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours per semester.
2. Applicant is either, A) a dependent of a currently employed person at a member shop of the West Michigan AMBA, or B) a dependent of a partner member of which the employed parent personally attends 3 meetings in the last 2 years and supports the golf outing through participation or sponsorship, both of which require a minimum of one (1) year active employment. Owners and/or major stockholders and/or their spouses/dependents are not eligible to receive this scholarship.
3. Applicants must have a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average (based on a 4-point system). Information obtained regarding the applicant’s grades, listing of classes, classroom participation, conduct, etc., is within standards set by the Scholarship Selection Committee.
4. Applicants’ member company must have attended/supported the most recent WM AMBA golf outing and attended at least one other meeting in the past year.

*A dependent is a “legal dependent” as defined by the IRS.*

*An educational facility is defined as: An accredited college, university, or tech school that offers full time schooling which results in the student receiving a certificate, degree, or license upon graduation.*

*Full time student is defined as:  A student attending the accredited educational facility for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester for an undergraduate program, or 32 hours a week if credit hours are not defined.  Or 9 credit hours per semester for a graduate program.*

**Application Submission and Deadline:**

Applicants are requested to ***read carefully*** all the conditions of this program and submit the following no later than **Friday, May 16, by 3:00 p.m.**

1. The Scholarship Award application must be filled out completely.
2. High school scholastic records/transcripts to date and/or any college/university transcripts or equivalent.
3. Three (3) current year letters of reference from high school teachers, college professors, pastors or employers.
4. An essay relating to the students’ goals and objectives for the scholarship. The essay should not exceed 1,000 words or two (2) typewritten pages. "NO recycling of letters of recommendation or essays from prior years."
5. Complete application must be received by 3:00 p.m. on the due date, in one package, not folded or stapled. It can be mailed, emailed as a pdf, or hand delivered. We will not download information from a web site or piece together your application.
6. Please be sure to provide an email address on the application. A confirmation will be sent to applicant upon receipt of scholarship material via e-mail. If you do not receive confirmation, you should assume your application was not received and you should remedy the situation before the due date. No late applications will be considered for a scholarship. All applicants applying for the scholarship will be notified no later than June 1. ***The scholarships will be awarded on Wednesday June 4, 2025,*** at our annual scholarship dinner, held at Boulder Creek Golf Club from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please reserve this date as we would like all winners present at our scholarship dinner.

**2025 WM AMBA Scholarship Award Application**

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Full Name/Title of Parent Employed by AMBA Member Company \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Scholarship Applicant Required Material: (Deadline: May 16, 2025)**

* Official high school scholastic records/transcript to date & any college/university transcripts or equivalent.
* Three (3) current year letters of reference from high school teachers, college professors, pastors, or employers.
* Essay on goals, objectives and your need for the scholarship (maximum 1,000 words or two (2) typewritten pages). "NO recycling of letters of recommendation or essays from prior years."
* Current resume including business experiences (include employers’ address & phone). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* What percentage of your educational expenses do you expect to receive from scholarships, grants or awards in the 2025/2026 school year? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* List your extracurricular activities and hobbies.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* List any additional information for consideration by the AMBA Scholarship Committee. Use additional sheets if necessary.

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**Scholarship Application Deadline: May 16, 2025, by 3:00 p.m.**

**Send all material to:**

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