

# Pettisville School Foundation Scholarship Program 2024



The PSF Scholarship Program provides ten one-time grants primarily to PHS graduating seniors. Scholarship categories include traditional degree granting institutions but also include career training or support. Since 1986, the PSF has invested in the lives of over 150 students.

The following PSF Scholarships are offered. All are one-time, non-renewable awards, and are contingent upon successful (2.5 or higher GPA) completion of one semester of college work, where applicable. Two party scholarship checks will be written to the student and the university/college.

#1. The **Richard M. Werder Memorial Scholarship** (#1 Werder Scholarship) was established by Mrs. Valetta Werder to honor the memory of her husband, Richard, and the attributes and values he possessed. The endowment was one of the first donations to the new PSF in 1986.

#2. The **Bryant A. Weber Memorial Scholarship** (#2 Weber Scholarship) was established in the will of Mrs. Leone C. Weber to honor the memory of Mr. Weber. Mrs. Weber designated a specific percentage of her estate to the Pettisville School Foundation for the purposes of establishing a scholarship. Mr. Weber was a generous donor to the PSF during his lifetime and the establishment of a scholarship is an appropriate way to remember him.

#3. The **Golda N. Boyer Pettisville Teacher Association Scholarship** (#3 Boyer Scholarship) was established by that organization to encourage PHS graduates to consider the teaching profession. The scholarship was endowed by a generous donation by former PHS teacher Golda Boyer and was supplemented by faculty

and staff. Mrs. Boyer established the scholarship by donating a percentage of her earnings from publication in the early 1980s of the “Mean Jeans Manufacturing Company” practice set. The teaching unit was published nationally by Southwestern Publishing and was set in the “mythical town” of Pettisville, Ohio.

#4. The **Lawrence H. Schroeder Memorial Scholarship** (#4 Schroeder Scholarship) was created by Mrs. Herma V. Schroeder in November of 1999 to encourage PHS graduates to further their education. Mr. Schroeder was a member of the Pettisville Board of Education in the 1940’s and was a supporter of the value education had for each individual. Mrs. Schroeder was a former teacher, having taught in a one room school house, then in the “new” Pettisville School from 1932 to 1937 and then again in the 1940’s. Mrs. Schroeder donated a percentage of her estate to the PSF.

#5. The **David E. Springer Memorial Scholarship** (#5 Springer Scholarship) was endowed by his estate. Mr. Springer, who served as Pettisville superintendent from 1952 to 1959, endowed the scholarship to benefit to students planning to further their education, with a special emphasis on students with financial need.

#6. The **Ruth K. Wyse Memorial Scholarship**. (#6 Wyse Scholarship) A scholarship commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Pettisville School Foundation has been renamed to honor the first PHS teacher, Miss Ruth K. Wyse, and her impactful career at PHS. Miss Wyse was a Pettisville icon, who taught Latin, French, English, and journalism for 43 years, retiring in 1972. She continued serving her school in 1986, when she became one of nine founding trustees of the Pettisville School Foundation, serving until 1992. This scholarship will take into consideration the financial need of the student, and is intended to further a student’s education, whether it be for an apprenticeship program, tech school program, 2-year or 4-year college.

#7. The **PSF Career Scholarship**, (#7 PSF Career Scholarship) first offered to the PHS Class of 2021, is intended to benefit the graduate who desires to secure training for an occupation/skill in an area not traditionally supported by institutions of higher education. The initial scholarship will be in the range of \$1,000 and will be awarded annually to a graduating senior who is continuing his/her education by pursuing a trade or career that requires additional (non-college) training beyond high school. This scholarship could support an internship, an apprenticeship, or classes to learn a new skill or trade. This grant will be paid directly to the training entity or reimbursed to the participant. Candidates with financial need may include that need to support both the award of the scholarship or a request for additional funds. Not subject to GPA requirement.

#8. The **Pettisville Grain Company Scholarship**, (#8 PGC Scholarship) first offered to the PHS Class of 2021, is designed to help a PHS graduate to secure

training or college credit in an agriculture related field. The initial scholarship will be for \$1,250 and will be awarded annually to a graduate with a preference (although not limited to) for students who plan continuing their education by pursuing a two or four-year degree in an ag related field or securing skills in an agricultural related field. If there are no applicants in the ag area, this scholarship can be awarded to any applicant as chosen by the scholarship committee.

**#9. Grieser Transportation Scholarship (#9 Grieser Scholarship)** sponsors career scholarships in two areas. One area focuses on individuals being trained in the diesel mechanical field and a second focuses on assisting individuals who are seeking their CDL (Commercial Drivers' License). Applicants may focus on either area. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000. The scholarship was first offered during the 2021 school year and is offered annually.

**#10. The Lieutenant General Jeff Kruse Leadership Award/Scholarship (#10 Kruse Leadership Award)** is funded by Lt Gen Jeff and his wife, Dr. Susie Kruse, as their tribute and thank you to Pettisville Schools and the Pettisville community, and a mark of faith and investment in today's youth that they too are committed to serving and advancing a greater purpose beyond themselves.

*The recipient each year will be a senior who has demonstrated leadership across a range of academic, athletic, church and/or community activities, and is poised to embark on a lifetime of selfless service to the community and world around them.*

The award which, first offered in 2023, has been increased to \$2000 and is payable by a scholarship or stipend; recipient's choice. (Stipends are taxable; scholarships are not) Applicants may apply or be nominated by others. The recipient will be a senior selected by a committee chaired by the high school principal. Individuals may apply or be nominated by a fellow student or staff member.

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<b>Scholarship Program of the Pettisville School Foundation</b> This graph is intended to be an overview of requirements and goals of each individual award. See individual awards for specific requirements.	#1 Werder	#2 Weber	#3 Boyer	#4 Schroeder	#5 Springer	#6 Wyse	#7 PSF Career	#8 PGC	#9 Grieser	# 10 Kruse Leadership
<b>Purpose.</b> To assist a Pettisville High School graduate furthering his/her education at a four-year or a two-year college with the intent of transferring to a four-year college.	X	X	X	X	X					
<b>Selection Procedure.</b> The applicant will submit an application to the selection committee as prescribed by that committee. The information on such form will include descriptive data, career goals and objectives, stated course of study, and an essay regarding personal lifetime goals. The selection committee may also interview selected finalist applicants, if it deems appropriate.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Apply or by Nomination
<b>Qualifications.</b> The recipient must be a graduating Pettisville High School senior in the given year of the award	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Selection Criterion:</b>										
Academic potential, as illustrated by GPA, relevant performance outside of school, and/or test scores.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Potential for success in the chosen field of endeavor, as illustrated by past accomplishments, interests, or awards.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
The applicant must plan to major in education.			X							
Financial need, if documented by the applicant.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
When two or more applicants rate similarly, the committee may give special consideration to the following, to differentiate among applicants.										
• Education majors	X			X	X	X	X			
• Private, church related college attendee	X									
2.5 GPA after first period to qualify for payment	X	X	X	X	X					
2024 Award Amount	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$2,000
<b>Awarding of Stipend.</b> The actual award of the scholarship will be made by a two-party check, issued to the individual and institution involved, upon successful completion of one grading period (semester or quarter) of college credit with a 2.5 (on a 4 point scale) or higher academic average.										

## *PSF Scholarship Program Application*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>University/College Selected</b>	<b>Major Field</b>
<b>SAT or ACT Scores</b>	<b>7 Semester High School Grade Point Average</b>

**Application for this scholarship requires candidates to submit an essay of not more than two pages in length addressing the following topics.** Please address all aspects of the selection criterion in your narrative. (Kruse Leadership Award applicants **will be provided different prompts** to which to respond.)

1. Please describe your preparation for college, such as coursework, activities, and interests.
2. What are your lifetime goals and plans? How will a college education help attain these objectives?
3. Why should you be selected for this scholarship award?
4. If you wish to address the specific criterion or purpose of one scholarship, please attach no more than one page addressing that criterion.
5. Please feel free to document/address financial need if relevant.

**If you are the successful recipient**, these actions are necessary for you to receive the award.

1. Submit an email thank you upon receipt of the award to the individual or organization noted.
2. After one semester of university/college with a GPA of 2.5 or above, submit the following:
  - A. A scan of your grades and the name of the university or institution.
  - B. An address to which the scholarship check should be mailed

Upon receipt, the PSF will issue you a two-party check, in your name and your institution.

Thank you and documentation should be submitted to Steve Switzer, Exec. Dir, as noted below:

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