# INFORMATION SHEET about the PEO Chapter BU Scholarship (Otter Tail County)

We look forward to receiving applications for the PEO Chapter BU Scholarship (Otter Tail County). Individuals and businesses have helped support PEO's development of this scholarship fund through a yearly golf tournament, **"Swing for the Stars"**.



## PEO -- Chapter BU -- Fergus Falls, Minnesota

PEO is an international philanthropic organization that supports women through scholarships, grants and other financial assistance in order to motivate women to achieve their highest aspirations. PEO, Chapter BU, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota is pleased to offer an academic collegiate scholarship to an outstanding female high school student planning to enroll in a post-secondary program (community college, technical college, university, or other regionally accredited higher education institution).

#### Purpose of Scholarship

To provide a financial award to a female student with an interest in pursuing a post-secondary education in any field. The scholarship is to provide recognition and financial assistance to a female student who attends an Otter Tail County High School or GED program during the year the application is made.

## **Eligibility**

Female students who meet the following criteria are eligible for the scholarship. The candidate: -- is a current female high school student who will graduate prior to the fall semester in which the student will attend a post-secondary program as a full-time student (minimum 12 credits). -- is a citizen of the United States of America and family/guardian is a resident of Otter Tail County.

-- has a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and either is enrolled full-time in a high school located in Otter Tail County or is working on a GED at a program located in Otter Tail County at

the time of completing the application (send transcript that includes **grades through first semester of senior year** either as an attachment to an email or via US Mail).

#### Application Process

If interested in applying for the scholarship, the first step is for the candidate to send an email to Peo.buchapter@gmail requesting the application. The student will then receive a link to the application on which she can submit her information. Application materials must be received via the online application by **February 1st 11:59 p.m**. in order to be considered for the scholarship.

The following materials must be submitted by deadline:

- 1. Completed application form (all info submitted online)
- 2. An essay (no more than 750 words) addressing one of three topics and submitted online.

3. Transcripts or official academic record submitted by mail (mail to PEO Scholarship, 50135

Fish Lake Road, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501) or email (pdf a copy to Peo.buchapter@gmail.com).

### Selection Process

Recipient will be selected by the PEO - Chapter BU Scholarship Committee based on application materials submitted. The candidates' materials will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee to determine the recipient of the scholarship. Consideration will be given to academic achievement, as well as each of the items responded to in the application. In addition, the applicant's essay will be reviewed for quality of conveying information. Scholarship recipients will be notified of the committee's decision by April 15th.

## <u>Award</u>

A \$1000 scholarship payable to the recipient's educational institution for tuition will be awarded. This scholarship is not renewable. Only female high school seniors intending to enroll in a post-secondary regionally accredited college or university are eligible to apply.

Questions If you have questions or need further information, please contact a PEO member at <u>Peo.buchapter@gmail.com</u>.

Interested in applying?

Send a request to <u>Peo.buchapter@gmail.com</u> and a link to the scholarship application will be sent to the applicant.