

January 16, 2020

Dear Student, Guidance Counselor or Paraprofessional:

The Capital Area Education Association is pleased to announce the 2020 CAEA Special Education Scholarship Program.

**Amount:** One \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded.

**Eligibility:** Two groups of individuals are eligible to apply.

1. Students currently attending a secondary school served by the Capital Area Intermediate Unit who are planning to enroll in a post-secondary program which leads to a degree in Special Education, Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Adaptive Physical Education or School Psychology. **The intent of the applicant should be to eventually work with students with special needs.**

2. Paraprofessionals currently working for the CAIU, who are volunteer members of the Capital Area Education Association, and who are planning to enroll or are already enrolled in a post-secondary program which leads to a degree in Special Education, Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Adaptive Physical Education, or School Psychology. **The intent of the applicant should be to eventually work with students with special needs.**

**Timeline:**

**Printed and completed applications are due by April 15, 2020.** It is important that **all** sections of the **four page** application be completed. Other required documents: **include a copy of the school transcript and at least two reference letters.** Duplicate the application as needed. Results will be announced by May 10, 2020.

**Mail applications to:** Mrs. Emily Sidelinger  
600 Lisburn Rd.  
Wellsville, PA 17365  
(If you wish to be notified that your application has been received, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)

**Questions:** Please e-mail Emily Sidelinger at [esidelinger@caiu.org](mailto:esidelinger@caiu.org).

Sincerely,

Emily Sidelinger  
CAEA Scholarship Chairperson

**CAPITAL AREA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION  
SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

*(Please print or type neatly)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian/Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Schooling beyond High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Extra-Curricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL APPLICANTS:**

Volunteer Experiences or Paid Work Experiences:

\_\_\_\_\_  
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College you plan to attend or are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

College Address: \_\_\_\_\_

College Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Major **and**

Anticipated

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

College Acceptance Date: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Guidance Counselor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Guidance Counselor's telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

**Please include a copy of your high school transcript as of this application date. Applications missing their school transcript will receive an automatic 0 for this section on the scoring rubric.**

CAIU EMPLOYEES:

Please include a copy of your college transcript as of this application date (if already enrolled). If unsure of what transcript to submit, please contact Emily Sidelinger.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

For what other scholarships have you applied?

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What other scholarships have you received?

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Your cost of attendance for 2020-21 school year:

Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_

Room & board: \_\_\_\_\_

Books, supplies, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Family Contribution (EFC): This information can be found on the Student Aid Report that you received after completing the FAFSA. \_\_\_\_\_

*Example Student Aid Report*



If you are unable to locate your EFC number, you may submit a copy of the front page of your Student Aid Report (SAR).

**If you did not complete a FAFSA, please include the following information (if you completed the FAFSA, please move on to next section):**

Total income as reported on IRS 1040\*                      Parents/Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-taxable income including social security payments, non-taxable interest and dividends, unemployment compensation, and any other income no subject to tax\*:

Parents/Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_                      Self: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Or attach a copy of most recent IRS Form*

Cash savings, real estate and business investments including stocks, bonds, etc.:  
Parents/Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_                      Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Residence:  House                       Apartment

If house:  Rent                       Own

If own: house value: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of outstanding mortgage: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL applicants complete the following:**

List your reasons for requesting financial aid. Indicate any extenuating circumstances, financial or personal, that you or your family have, which would assist the scholarship committee in its selection:

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Please explain why you intend to pursue a career in Special Education. Explain any specific activities, persons, or events which have influenced your decision to become a Special Education teacher. If more space is needed, attach an additional sheet.

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