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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**HNEA Scholarship Committee
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2025 HNEA Mary Jo Giessman Memorial Scholarship

Attention all Hazelwood School District seniors! As the primary representative body of HSD teachers, the Hazelwood National Education Association (HNEA) strongly supports our students' continued educational plans. This year, the HNEA will be awarding \$500 scholarships to select HSD seniors who are graduating in the Spring 2025 semester.

Seniors are asked to develop a project that shows how teachers have influenced, motivated, encouraged and shaped them. Furthermore, seniors are asked to show how teachers have encouraged them to continue their education after graduation.

All entries must focus on the message of teacher influence. Originality and clarity are very important. Students must complete the attached application and meet all deadlines in order to be eligible for this scholarship. Students will need to prove acceptance at a post-secondary educational institution.

Students may present **one** project for their entry.

- An essay of under 1000 words that shows the influence of a teacher or teachers.
- A video, multimedia, spoken word, or Powerpoint (or Google Slides) presentation of no more than three minutes that shows the influence of a teacher or teachers.
- A work of art such as a painting or sculpture that shows the influence of a teacher or teachers. Photos must be submitted of both process and final project
- A portfolio of work that shows the influence of a teacher or teachers.

Students who present entries such as artwork or other creative projects need to include a small (one to two paragraph) description of how their work reflects teacher influence.

Students are being given a tremendous opportunity to use their creativity and talent. The written word, media platforms, and fine arts are all possibilities. All projects will become property of the HNEA.

The decision for awarding the scholarship will be made by a committee of HNEA members. Everything on the application will be considered.

Scholarships will be awarded in May (possibly during a HSD School Board meeting) and paid via check directly to the student.

Due Dates for 2025 HNEA

Mary Jo Giessman Memorial Scholarship

- All completed applications, essays or projects are due on or before **April 15, 2025**.
- Judging and conferring of scholarships will be completed by **May 1, 2025**.
- Please turn in all applications, projects, and essays to Terry Farrar at tfarrar@hazelwoodschoools.org via email by 11:59 pm on the above due date.

Please make sure that all applications are complete. Incomplete or late applications/projects will not be accepted. Please use Kami to complete this application.

All essays, applications, and projects must be submitted electronically.

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Application Form

Full Name: _____

High School: Central East Opportunity Center West

Address: _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Phone: _____

Number of years in Hazelwood School District: _____

What Hazelwood schools have you attended?

Please list volunteer activities:

All information will be verified by the Hazelwood School District administration.

Brief description of proposed entry:

The following must be turned in with an electronic submission of the final project:

- 1) a scan, photo, or screenshot of a letter of acceptance to a post-secondary institution
- 2) a scan, photo, or screenshot of most recent report card

Thank you for your interest and good luck!

Applications and projects must be turned in to the following teacher:

Insert teacher information

All completed essays or projects are due by the end of the day on Thursday, May 1st.