



March 3, 2021

To: High School Guidance Department

From: Mark T. Tracy, DVASBO Scholarship Chair

Once again, the Delaware Valley Association of School Business Officials (DVASBO) membership is pleased to offer students of the Delaware Valley the opportunity to apply for our competitive scholarship program. Attached is a three-page document that thoroughly explains the process. Since there is no limitation on the number of students that may apply, please feel free to make additional copies as needed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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Kennett Consolidated School District

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## **2020-21 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

### **ABOUT US**

The Delaware Valley Association of School Business Officials (DVASBO) is a regional chapter of the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO). For nearly five decades, DVASBO has been supporting school professionals in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties. The organization currently has over 1,000 members, and we are devoted to providing members with education, training, professional development and timely access to legislative and policy news.

Our membership base covers school professionals working in finance, accounting, operations, facilities, transportation, food service, technology, communications, human resources, purchasing and safety services. While diverse in areas of specialty, all members share a common goal - to support classroom learning in schools during good and bad economic times through smart business practices. DVASBO helps make that goal a reality. For more information visit – <http://www.dvasbo.org/>

### **MISSION**

DVASBO's mission is to develop and support leaders in school business operations.

### **PURPOSE**

The DVASBO Membership offers an annual scholarship program. Its purpose is to financially assist high school seniors interested in pursuing a career in business.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Any high school senior who attends a participating DVASBO entity and is scheduled to graduate in 2021 is eligible to participate. Additionally, an applicant must:

- Be a dependent of a parent/guardian directly employed or subcontracted by a DVASBO Member School District
- Plans on attending a postsecondary school in the Fall 2021
- Express an interest in Accounting, Business, or related field
- Be a student in good academic standing

### **PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING**

Completed applications should be submitted to:

Mark Tracy, Scholarship Chairman  
Kennett Consolidated School District  
300 East South Street  
Kennett Square Pennsylvania, 19348

Or sent electronically to [mtracy@kcsd.org](mailto:mtracy@kcsd.org)

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

A scholarship committee, appointed by the DVASBO President, will review candidate applications and make recommendations to the DVASBO membership for approval. Interest in business and general character qualities will be considerations in the final selection.

### **DURATION AND SCOPE**

DVASBO scholarships consist of a one-time payment up to \$2,500 to be awarded at the end of the 2020-21 school year. The scholarship committee reserves the right to distribute scholarship funds in variable amounts not to exceed \$2,500 to a single applicant. Deadline for applications is April 15, 2021.

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## 2020-21 Scholarship Application Form

The applicant must be a High School senior with the intent to be enrolled in at least a two- (2) year post high school educational or vocational program. The scholarship will be up to \$2,500 and will be awarded in a one-time payment at the end of the 2020-21 school year.

Decisions will be awarded on a basis of interest in a future in business, and on character and leadership qualities as shown by responses supplied by the applicant.

### Application Deadline is April 15, 2021

Name (Miss) \_\_\_\_\_ (Mr.) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Postsecondary institution you will attend in the fall of 2021:

\_\_\_\_\_

2. List all scholarships, work-study grants and any other form of financial aid you have been promised or have received for your post high school academic work as of March 31, 2020.

Source of Grant

Amount of Grant

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(Use additional sheet if needed)

3. What school district employs your parent or guardian?

\_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity:

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Essay #1 - The Selection Committee wants to get to know you on a personal level and gain insight into your character. In approximately 300 words identify and describe what you feel are your most positive personal attributes. Where possible, refer to personal experiences in which you have demonstrated these qualities.
5. Essay #2 – The Selection Committee wants to know how a degree in a business related field will benefit you in achieving your future goals. In approximately 200 words, express how furthering your knowledge in accounting, business, or related field will help prepare you for the future challenges in your chosen career path.
6. The Selection Committee is interested in learning about your dedication to education and leadership qualities. On a separate page, please provide list of academic, extracurricular, athletic, employment, or family responsibilities in which you have undertaken positions of leadership.

**Applicant and Parent/Guardian Statement**

**We hereby submit a true and completed application for the DVASBO Scholarship and will release to the DVASBO Scholarship Committee the applicant's academic records, if requested.**

**Applicant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permission to Publicize Name**

If I am awarded a scholarship, I give my permission to use my name in publicity releases relating to the DVASBO Scholarship Fund.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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