



Juneau Education Association Scholarship 2020

JEA provides a scholarship to graduating high school students who are dependents of current JEA members or teachers who were current members at the time of their retirement or passing. Award(s) are based solely on the strength of the application. Awards will be determined at committee discretion. Application does not guarantee an award.

To apply, applicants need to submit all of the following:

1. A cover letter introducing yourself as an applicant, stating who your parent/guardian(s) are that are current or retired JEA members, or were current members at the time of their death, and optional information about your transcript (see scoring rubric).
2. Copy of current transcript including first semester grades and currently enrolled courses.
3. 600-800 word essay describing a teacher who had a significant impact on your education OR describing a significant educational experience and the impact it had on you.
4. Completed teacher recommendation form with checkboxes indicated at the bottom.

Each document in the application will be weighted on the following scale: The essay is 70% of the total score, teacher recommendations are 20%, and the transcript score and GPA score will be combined for 10%. The cover letter is required but not included in the final score. With the exception of the optional information, the cover letter should not be more than four sentences.

The cover letter and essay need to be typed in MLA format. We suggest checking MLA formatting using a reliable resource such as this website: <http://bit.ly/essayinMLA>. All documents must be submitted to the JDHS:YK or TMHS Career Center, or counselor at YDHS by the end of the school day, Wednesday, April 22nd. The evaluation committee will score applications based on the attached rubrics. Award(s) will be announced at the Senior Scholarship Night at each school.

If you have any questions, please contact Missouri Smyth, JEA Education Excellence Chair.
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Sincerely,
JEA Scholarship Committee

Attachments:

Teacher recommendation form

Rubrics and scoring criteria for:

- Essay
- Teacher recommendations
- Transcripts/GPA.

JEA Scholarship: Teacher recommendation form

Applicant name:

1) Teacher name

Grade/Subject you
taught this applicant

Three words that
describe the applicant

2) Teacher name

Grade/Subject you
taught this applicant

Three words that
describe the applicant

3) Teacher name

Grade/Subject you
taught this applicant

Three words that
describe the applicant

4) Teacher name

Grade/Subject you
taught this applicant

Three words that
describe the applicant

5) Teacher name

Grade/Subject you
taught this applicant

Three words that
describe the applicant

Applicants must check these boxes to be considered for an award. JEA reserves the right to share or publish essays after student graduation.

- I give JEA permission to share or publish my essay identifying me as the author .
- I give JEA permission to share or publish my essay anonymously.

Rubric for Essay*70% of total score*

4	3	2	1
An outstanding essay will insightfully and clearly explore an educational experience OR a teacher's impact with significant details and explanation. Language usage is excellent.	A very good essay will clearly explore an educational experience OR a teacher's impact on their education. Language usage is strong, may contain some errors but they are not distracting.	A good essay will explore an educational experience OR a teacher's impact on their education. Clarity or connection to their experience may not be clear. Language usage needs some attention.	An essay needing work may not explore an educational experience OR a teacher's impact on their education. Clarity or connection to their experience may not be clear. Poorly edited or revised.

Teacher Recommendations*20% of total score*

Points awarded to the teacher recommendations will be on a 4-1 scale. There is no scoring guidance for this part of the application.

Rubric for Transcript through first semester senior year*10% of total score*

4	3	2	1
Transcript reflects diversity of coursework, demonstrates growth and challenge	Transcript reflects some diversity of coursework, and academic growth and challenge is not consistent	Transcript does not reflect diversity in coursework, growth or challenge is unclear	Transcript meets minimum for graduation
Credits reflect rigor with a projected graduation of more than 23 credits	Credits meet minimum graduation requirements	Credits meet minimum graduation requirements	Credits meet minimum graduation requirements
Student GPA awarded as points out of 4.0, i.e. a student with a 3.8 GPA gets 3.8 points			

- **Optional:** In your cover letter, you may write 1-2 paragraphs explaining the transcript, such as coursework choices, earned grades, or anything else you want the evaluator to know. For example: explain a difficult semester, a challenging class, or course choices over time. This information can be used to help the committee evaluate rigor, growth, and challenge.