**PEO International STAR SCHOLARSHIP**

For College Freshman Year

$2,500 (1/2 each semester to finalist)

PEO is a Philanthropic Educational Organization that helps women further their education through scholarships, grants and loans.

**Rules for Scholarship:**

* Must be a citizen of USA/Canada. Mother need not belong to PEO.
* Must carry at least a 3.5 GPA.
* Need a written reference letter from two adults, not related to you. Often teachers.
* Need your GPA through Junior Year from VHS.

**Return these to Guidance Office by September 12, 2024**

1. A resume showing your VHS Activities, time given in years after each.
2. Make a resume showing local volunteering in the Vermillion Community -Please show years or months given.
3. Fill out our General Information Form and return ALL three forms to Guidance Counselor’s Office in sealed envelope. Please type these forms on a computer, so that we will be able to read your writing. (when material is submitted to Des Moines International PEO Office it must be on a computer).
4. Transcript of classes

Local PEO Chapter BL will choose a candidate only from VHS Senior girls who turn in forms.

PEO STAR Committee of Chapter BL will interview one candidate to help our committee get to know their candidate. Our committee will then write a letter recommending this candidate to our local PEO Chapter members of BL. After getting to know her a letter of recommendation is sent to the International Chapter STAR Scholar Committee of PEO answering their questions.

Once this letter is submitted online, Chapter BL's chosen girl will receive information via email which will allow her to submit her essay and information to PEO International. You will have only **30 days** to get this finished before deadline.

While you are waiting to start number 4 to be completed, you could start putting some thoughts down on paper for your essay. This will cover what you plan to do with your education. Think big picture such as helping children to be able to get out of poverty by teaching them to read. Med School plans to help children, please discuss them.

All application items must be submitted online, APART from the high school transcript. The applicant will arrange for the official high school transcript (through 11th grade) to be mailed to PEO Executive Office, 3700 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA, 5031

Scholarship recipient is not announced until April of 2025.

This is an international scholarship but Chapter BL sponsors a local scholarship in the spring. Check the student services site for applications.

Janet Beeman, Mary Berglin and Donna Finnegan, PEO Chapter BL

STAR Scholarship Committee

**PEO Applicant General Information**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Parent(s) Names: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Middle Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Your GPA from your Junior year:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Home Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Hobbies or special interests\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. How many siblings do you have? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. What is special about your hometown area? Why do you like/dislike it?
9. What is your plan for your college studies? Have you been thinking about this for very long? Are your classes helping you to be able to do what you want to do with your life?

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