



## Ohio ProStart Scholarship Program APPLICATION

### APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP - DEADLINE February 28, 2023

The Ohio Restaurant Association Education Foundation is pleased to present the 2023 Ohio ProStart Scholarship program to you. Scholarships range from \$1000 to \$2500 and multiple can be awarded per student.

**Scholarship funds not used by December 31, 2023 will be forfeited.**

#### Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant is a graduating senior ProStart student.
- Applied for and will earn a Certificate of Achievement (COA).
- Be enrolled or accepted as a full-time or substantial part-time student at an accredited post-secondary institution, college or university for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Plan to major in a restaurant, hospitality or foodservice related program.
- Recipients cannot be employees or family members of the National Restaurant Association, NRAEF, or a state restaurant association or foundation (e.g., ORAEF).
- If awarded scholarship, must attend Celebration of the Stars Award Luncheon in April 2023

**For your application to be reviewed by the scholarship committee, the following items are required by February 28, 2023:**

1. Completed application form.
2. Transcript from primary high school.
3. Proof of acceptance to an accredited post-secondary culinary arts, foodservice, hospitality or restaurant management program. **Note: If application for admission has been filed, but is pending when this scholarship application is submitted, scholarship will be awarded contingent upon acceptance to a qualified culinary arts, hospitality or food management program.**
4. **TWO** letters of recommendation on School or Company letterhead from current or previous teachers, mentors and/or employers.
5. **TYPED** completed essay.
6. Digital yearbook photo, senior picture or professional headshot. *No selfies, please.*

**Section I Personal Information of Applicant**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number (include area code): \_\_\_\_\_

Personal E-mail address (other than school e-mail): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ US Citizen: Yes No

Preferred Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Information**

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Full Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) E-Mail Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Primary Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

*Parent or Guardian information will be kept confidential and will only be used for updates and important information regarding the Ohio ProStart scholarship.*

## Section II School Information

High School or Career Center attended for Ohio ProStart Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of School: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Ohio ProStart Instructor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Applicant must provide copy of current high school transcript with application.**

I have applied to **AND** gained acceptance to:

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section III Essay Question #1 – Minimum Word Count 250

Please share your need for this scholarship and why you should be selected. Please **TYPE** your response in the space provided below. *Consider the following:*

- How would you finance your college education?
- Do you need to work while attending college?
- Are you paying your own way for college?
- Are you taking out student loans?
- Are you a first-generation college student?



**Volunteer Service / Community Involvement:**

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**Extracurricular Activities:**

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**Section VI Restaurant and Hospitality Work Experience (paid or unpaid)**

Please list all work experience you have had in the restaurant, foodservice and hospitality field.

Name of Employer

Position Held

Dates Employed

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**Section VII Essay Question #2 – Word Count 500-750**

On a separate sheet of paper identified with the name of the applicant, please TYPE (double space) your response to the following questions and attach your response to the application:

- Why should the scholarship selection committee select you?
- How do you exemplify ProStart Core Values listed below?
  - **Leadership:** Responsible and ethical decision-makers who embody positivity and motivate change.
  - **Community:** Putting forth our best effort socially, civically and professionally.
  - **Passion:** Creativity, vision and enthusiasm that drive us beyond the extraordinary.
- Please include any other information that would help you be selected for a ProStart scholarship.

**VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify to the ORAEF Scholarship Awards Committee of the Ohio ProStart Scholarship Program that the information contained in this application (including accompanying transcript, letters of recommendation and proof of acceptance) is complete and accurate and that the responses to the essay questions are the applicant’s own work product.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

**Applications with all required attachments must be  
emailed or postmarked on or before  
February 28, 2023  
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