



2024 George and Evelyn Cifra Memorial Sibling Scholarship Guidelines

Overview

- A non-renewable academic scholarship up to \$500 is available to siblings of individuals with Down syndrome. Applicants must reside within DSANEO's 16 counties and their loved one with Down syndrome must reside within DSANEO's 16 counties.
 - DSANEO's 16 County service area includes: *Ashland, Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Holmes, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, Richland, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas, and Wayne*
- Applicants must be a high school graduate accepted to or currently attending a post-secondary program, or a high school senior expected to attend a post-secondary program after their upcoming graduation. Applicants must be accepted or currently attending an accredited technical school, university or college in pursuit of an associate, bachelors, masters or doctorate degree.
- Eligible fields of study include, but are not limited to: *Nursing, Education, Social Work, Speech and Language Pathology, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Medicine*. Other areas of study will be considered at the discretion of the DSANEO Post-Secondary Scholarship Committee.

Application process

- Applicants must complete the George and Evelyn Cifra Memorial Sibling Scholarship Application, including the essay.
- Applicants must include an acceptance letter from the program they will be attending during the 2024-25 school year.
- Applications must be received by Monday, July 15, 2024. Applications received after this date will not be considered.
- Decisions will be made by the scholarship committee by July 30, 2024. All applicants will be notified of the status of their applications shortly thereafter.