2027

SOUTH JERSEY MECHANICAL
CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

Steven A Berkowitz Memorial Scholarship for Associate Members

APPLICATION PROCESS

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SJMCA ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR EMPLOYEES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Beginning in 2023, the South Jersey Mechanical Contractors Association accepts applications for a $1,000 scholarship[*1] aimed at Graduating High School Children and/or Grandchildren of the Association's Associate Membership (Non-Contractor Members). Each year the deadline for applications will be March 31st.

Tragically, in 2024 Steven A Berkowitz, a dedicated Board Member, representing our Associate Members passed away unexpectedly. For 19 years he served diligently on our Board, lending his expertise both as a lawyer and mechanical engineer. He formed lasting connections as a friend to many within our Association. Mr. Berkowitz was a strong supporter of fairness in union contracting. His dedication to making sure public bidding followed the rules and his determination to call out unfair practices made him a real leader in our industry.

In remembrance of Steve's remarkable legacy, it is important to acknowledge that he was an organ donor, positively impacting the lives of 5 individuals through his selfless act. We are deeply honored to perpetuate his spirit of generosity through this annual scholarship initiative.

Candidates will be evaluated on character, academic performance, extracurricular activities and community service.

[*1] amount increased to $2,000 in 2027

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Annual Associate Scholarship Guidelines

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Applications will be accepted from an SJMCA Associate Member's Active Employee (for award to their child or grandchild)
- Associate Member must be in good standing with membership dues up-to-date.
- Employee must have worked for the SJMCA Associate Member for at least 6 months during the previous 12 months of application due date.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

- Participant Intention Form
- Application Form
- Employee Information/Verification Form
- Brief Personal Essay
- Listing of Employment Experience, Extra-curricular activities, and Volunteer/Community Service Projects Involvement
- Official High School Grades
- Two letters of reference from current faculty members on school letterhead or via school email

Completed and signed applications by US mail must be received by March 31,2027 to this address:
SJMCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
10,000 Lincoln Drive E, Suite 201
Marlton, NJ 08053
Or emailed to: info@sjmca.org by March 31,2027

Please complete and return this form by March 1, 2027 via email to info@sjmca.org

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PARTICIPANT INTENTION FORM

I understand that I must return this completed *Participant Intention Form* by March 1, 2027 by email to info@sjmca.org to be eligible for the 2027 Application Year.

I understand that I must return the **FULL COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM** by March 31, 2027 by email to info@sjmca.org or by US mail to be eligible for the 2027 Application Year.

Name of Applicant:

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Name of Parent, Grandparent or Legal Guardian:

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Name of SJMCA Associate Member Company by whom the parent/grandparent/guardian is employed:

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Applicant's email:

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Applicant's cell phone:

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Please complete and return this form by March 1, 2027 via email to info@sjmca.org

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CHECKLIST

Name of Applicant: (please print) _____

The following completed items are enclosed:

- ❒ Participant Intent Form (Due March 1, 2027) page 3
- ❒ Applicant Information Form page 5
- ❒ Employee Information and Verification Form page 6
- ❒ Personal Essay page 7
- ❒ Employment Experience, Extra-curricular activities page 8
- ❒ Volunteer/Community Service Involvement page 9
- ❒ Official High School Grades page 10
- ❒ Two Letters of reference page 10

Applicant's Signature: _____

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APPLICANT INFORMATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Student's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell number: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School Name: _____

H.S. Address: _____

Overall GPA: _____ SAT Scores: Math _____ Reading/Writing: _____

Top 3 Colleges to which you applied:	Accepted Status
1. _____	❍ Yes ❍ No ❍ TBD
2. _____	❍ Yes ❍ No ❍ TBD
3. _____	❍ Yes ❍ No ❍ TBD

Indicate college you plan to attend in September: _____

Intended Major: _____

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EMPLOYEE INFORMATION AND VERIFICATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Employee's Name: _____

Employer Name: _____

Employer Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Employee's Title: _____

Applicant's relation
To Employee: _____

EMPLOYER VERIFICATION

I verify the above name employee has worked for our company at least 6 months in time period March 2022 to March 2027.

Verified by: (print name) _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Phone #: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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PERSONAL ESSAY

PLEASE PRINT

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Feel free to use the space below, or attach a document to the completed application.

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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

PLEASE PRINT

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Employer: _____

Dates of Employment: _____

Description of Duties: _____

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Activity Title: _____

Dates involved: _____

Description: _____

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Description: _____

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(Attach additional pages if necessary)

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VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE

PLEASE PRINT

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Volunteer/Community Title: _____

Dates involved: _____

Description: _____

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OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADES

PLEASE PRINT

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Please attach copy of official grades to completed application

LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Please attach 2 letters of reference from current faculty members on School letterhead to completed application

All fully complete applications received by the noted deadline will be reviewed by SJMCA's scholarship committee comprised of 3 Individuals from Active Contractor Member to select the Scholarship winner for this award year. Scholarships will be awarded each year by June 1.

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