



Beginning in 1989, the Seidle Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, through its life memberships, presented a cash award to the senior student who demonstrated outstanding performance in school, as well as an interest in pursuing a career in healthcare. In 1993, this scholarship was renamed the Cynthia L. Collier Memorial Scholarship in honor of a very special person. Cindy Collier had an interest in the future of education, and was an ambitious volunteer of the Seidle Hospital Auxiliary. With this memorial scholarship, it is our hope that Cindy's spirit and enthusiasm will live on through this student who has chosen to improve the quality of life for others by pursuing a career in the healthcare field.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Graduating high school senior at Mechanicsburg Area High School
2. Plans to attend an accredited degree-granting post-secondary educational institution
3. Plans to pursue a career in the healthcare field
4. Demonstrate academic ability, good citizenship, leadership qualities, and good character
5. Financial need

HOW TO APPLY

The application process is online. You can access and submit the application beginning January 1.

[Click here](#) to access the online application.

If you are signing back in to complete your application, please [click here](#).

Before accessing the application, be prepared to attach the following items:

***** YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION UNTIL THESE ITEMS ARE ATTACHED*****

1. Student Resume: [Click here](#) to download the fill-in Word document that you should complete, save, and attach to your application.
2. FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR): Please attach the report in its entirety. This report must include the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Please be aware that the SAR is **not** the same as the Summary Report. In addition to the SAR, you may also provide a letter with information you believe will be useful in determining your financial need (e.g., family and student income). Are there extenuating circumstances of which we should be aware? For example, illness in the family, loss of employment, or other relevant information?
3. Personal Essay: Describe why you have chosen a career in the healthcare field. 300 words maximum, typewritten, 12 pt. font, double spaced.

The following requirements must be emailed to scholarshipapplications@tfec.org separately. These items will not appear as attachments to your online application or prevent you from submitting:

The following requirements must be emailed by your school's counseling office:

1. *Official Transcript.*
2. *School Counselor Form.* [Click here](#) to download the form

The following requirements must be emailed by your personal references:

1. *Two (2) Personal Reference Letters. The letters must be from current high school teachers in the subjects of math, science, or English, on school letterhead. Letters from family members will not be accepted. **All reference letters must remain confidential.***

RENEWABILITY

This scholarship is a one-time only award.

MATCHING AWARD OPPORTUNITIES

AES/PHEAA's PATH Program: Scholarship recipients are eligible to have their awards matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by AES/PHEAA's PATH (*"Partnerships for Access to Higher Education"*) Program. PHEAA may grant matching funds to scholarship recipients who are enrolled in an approved Pennsylvania college or career school as an undergraduate student on at least a half-time basis, who are a Pennsylvania state grant recipient and who demonstrate financial need. Students must also be a resident of Pennsylvania, not in default on any educational loans, maintain academic progress, and not be considered an incarcerated student. The match provides last-dollar support for tuition and fees. *Scholarship funds used for reimbursement of textbook purchases are not eligible for a PATH Program match.* The scholarship recipient's information is submitted to PHEAA by TFEC staff. No additional work will be asked of the scholarship recipient. For more information regarding AES/PHEAA, please refer to their website at www.pheaa.org.