



This scholarship was established by family, friends, colleagues, and students to honor Dorothy M. Peele, a Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School teacher from 1957 through 1966. She taught physical education and health and was a very successful Girls' Sports faculty manager and coach. In 1961, her field hockey team won the first ever championship in the school's history and a second championship was won in 1962. Miss Peele's basketball team was co-champion in 1960 and 1961 and sole champion in 1962 and 1963. During her tenure at Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School, she was a devoted educator, mentor, and role model who was respected, loved, and admired by students that lasted throughout their lives. In 1966, after earning a master's degree in counseling, Miss Peele became a junior high counselor and shortly after became the middle school counselor until her retirement in 1986. She was devoted to her students; helping them and having a positive influence on their lives. Miss Peele had a very rewarding career that made a difference for so many.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Female athlete graduating from Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School
2. Participation in at least one high school sport
3. Plans to enroll in a four-year college to pursue a career in education or to attend a two-year community college in a program that will result in a specific career certification or attend a higher-level vocational program to pursue excellence in a particular trade.
4. Minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher
5. Participation in school or community extracurricular activities
6. 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 your plans after high school graduation. Also, describe how the sport you participated in during high school has influenced you. Two page 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

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.