

Professional Association of Georgia Educators Foundation 2026 Scholarship Application

Applications must be Received by May 30, 2026.

This is a competitive scholarship program. Each scholarship is a non-renewable award payable to the winner's college or university (see specific scholarships for award amounts). Please see important note on page two (2) of this application.

Instructions/Frequently Asked Questions

Complete and return this application along with two essays, two recommendation letters and transcript. Applications must be received in the PAGE Scholarship Office by May 30, 2026. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Please do not staple any portion of your application.

Mail / Email / Dropbox completed application to:

Michelle Crawford / PAGE Foundation Scholarship Program
PO Box 937 / Young Harris, GA 30582 / scholarships@pageinc.org

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| ☐ <u>Completed</u> and Signed Application (pages 2 and 3) | ☐ Two (2) Essays | ☐ Two (2) Recommendations (only two will be scored) |
| ☐ Transcript Enclosed | ☐ Transcript being mailed separately | ☐ Transcript being sent electronically |

1. Do I need to sign my application?

Yes. Unsigned applications will be considered incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be scored.

2. What transcript should I submit?

Please submit your most recent, cumulative transcript. An unofficial copy is acceptable.

- If you are an undergraduate student, send us your most recent cumulative transcript.
- If you are a graduate student and have completed at least one semester in your current program, submit that transcript.
- If you are a graduate student and are just beginning a program of study, you must send a cumulative transcript from your last program of study.

3. When should I request my transcript?

Please allow ample time for your college registrar or transcript service to process your request. If your transcript is late it will cause your application to be late. Late applications will not be scored.

4. How do I submit my transcript?

There are three ways you may submit your transcript:

- You may include your transcript with the rest of your completed application. (*recommended*)
- Your college's registrar or transcript service may send your transcript electronically to the PAGE Foundation Scholarship Coordinator at scholarships@pageinc.org.
- If absolutely necessary, you may have your transcript mailed to the PAGE Foundation Scholarship Coordinator at: Michelle Crawford, PAGE Foundation Scholarship Program, PO Box 937, Young Harris, GA 30582.

5. If my transcript is sent separately, when does it need to arrive?

Your transcript must meet the same deadline as the rest of your application. Transcripts sent via postal service must be received in the office by end of day on May 30, 2026. Transcripts sent via email must be received by end of day on May 30, 2026. If a transcript is late it will cause your application to be considered incomplete – no exceptions. Incomplete applications will not be scored. The PAGE Foundation cannot be held responsible for lost mail, email delivery failure, or a delay by your college registrar or transcript service in processing your request. We recommend you include your transcript with the rest of your application.

Please allow ample time for your transcript request to be processed and sent.

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Eligibility Criteria

All applicants must meet the following requirements and any additional requirements for each individual scholarship listed below:

- be a current PAGE member.
- have a 3.0 GPA or higher.
- agree to teach in Georgia for three years.
- submit two recommendations, please see instructions at the top of the recommendation page (must be included with application). *Only two recommendations will be scored.*
- submit most recent cumulative transcript (please see additional instructions regarding transcripts).

In the appropriate section below (Professional, Support Personnel or Teacher Candidate) check the scholarship(s) for which you are eligible. (You may apply for more than one scholarship.)

Professional Scholarships (<i>certified educators</i>)
☐ PAGE Professional \$1500 - Must be pursuing a graduate degree in education or content area, working to add a new certification area or endorsement, or taking required coursework to be highly qualified. (Note: we regret that scholarships are not available to individuals who are taking courses to renew an existing certificate.)
☐ PAGE Charles "Coach" Cooper \$1000 - Must be pursuing an advanced degree in science education.
☐ PAGE DeKalb (Prof) \$1000 **Contingent upon availability of funds - Must meet Professional scholarship requirements, be currently employed by the DeKalb County School System and planning to remain for 2026-2027.
☐ PAGE H. M. and Norma Fulbright \$1500 - Must meet Professional scholarship requirements and serving as an advisor of a current, state-affiliated FGE chapter, as a PAGE Academic Bowl team coach, or as a PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon team coach.
☐ PAGE Jack Christmas \$1000 - Must be pursuing an advanced degree in elementary education or reading.
Support Personnel Scholarships
☐ PAGE Support Personnel \$1500 - Must be employed as support personnel within a Georgia school system and pursuing initial certification.
☐ PAGE Dr. Allene Magill \$1500 - Must be employed as a paraprofessional within a Georgia school system and pursuing initial certification.
Teacher Candidate Scholarships (<i>for education majors not yet certified or employed by a school or system</i>)
☐ PAGE Undergraduate \$1500 and PAGE S. Marvin Griffin \$1000 - Must be a rising college junior or senior and majoring in education.
☐ PAGE John Robert & Barbara Moore Lindsey \$1000 - Must be a rising college junior or senior, enrolled in or committed to enrolling in the education program at Georgia Southern University.
☐ PAGE Betty J. Phillips \$1000 - Must be a rising college junior, senior or graduate student, enrolled or committed to enrolling in the education program at a Macon, Georgia, college or university.
☐ PAGE DeKalb (TC) \$1000 **Contingent upon availability of funds - Must be a rising college junior, senior or graduate student and a graduate of a high school in the DeKalb County School System. Please list the school you attended and graduation date:

Having read the Eligibility Criteria, I agree and attest that I have or will fulfill all the requirements for receipt of this scholarship or will repay funds provided by the PAGE Foundation, Inc. I hereby consent to the release of information about, or relative to, my participation in the PAGE Foundation Scholarship Program, including photographs, sound and video recordings, and any other data. (Specific information about academic record, e.g., grade point average, test scores, etc., will not be released.) The Professional Association of Georgia Educators and/or PAGE Foundation shall have full rights to reproduction and use of all such materials.

Important Note: Award monies will be available to winners July 15, 2026 – June 30, 2027. The PAGE Foundation will make payment to the winner's college or university as designated by the recipient. Funds are available for tuition, room and board, books and other school charges. Funds are not available as cash to the student. Any award monies not used by June 30, 2027, will be forfeited.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please list the names, fax numbers and/or email addresses of newspapers that you would like to have notified if you are chosen as a PAGE Foundation Scholarship recipient. You may list as many or as few as you like. *Education reporter, if applicable.

1.		
	Newspaper	Editor/Reporter*
		Fax # and/or Email Address
2.		
	Newspaper	Editor/Reporter*
		Fax # and/or Email Address

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Office Use Only: Type _____ Info _____ 2 Essays _____ R1 _____ R2 _____ Sig. _____ Transcript _____ Keyed In _____
Notes _____

How did you learn about our scholarships? (Check all that apply.) ☐ PAGE spokesperson ☐ Website ☐ Social Media ☐ Email
☐ PAGE ONE Magazine ☐ Professor ☐ Financial Aid Office ☐ Other (Please explain: _____)

Membership # _____ Exp. Date _____ You may visit www.pageinc.org/membership to locate this info or
contact the membership department at membership@pageinc.org or 770-216-8555 (metro Atlanta) or 1-800-334-6861 (outside Atlanta).

Name _____ Name You are Called _____
Last First Middle

Mailing Address _____
Number/Street City State Zip

County of Residence _____ Phone Number (_____) _____

Email Address _____

IMPORTANT: During the **2026-2027** school year I will be a:
☐ College student not working in a school (not certified) ☐ Provisionally certified teacher
☐ Certified teacher, administrator or other certified staff ☐ Non-certified support staff in a school
☐ Other (Please explain: _____)

*College Attending: _____
Name of Institution City/State

* Applicant's college/university may be in Georgia, outside Georgia or an accredited online program.

Degree Pursuing: ☐ Bachelor's ☐ M.A.T. ☐ M.Ed. ☐ Ed.S. ☐ Ed.D. ☐ Ph.D.
☐ Initial Non-degree Certification ☐ Add-on Certification ☐ Graduate Degree in Content Area, List Degree: _____

Area of Concentration: _____ Most Recent Cumulative GPA: _____

Please list any service to PAGE. For example: PAGE Ambassador, PAGE local or state officer, on a PAGE state committee, presenter at PAGE event, etc. _____

Professional and Support Applicants: Currently Employed By: _____
School

System Position
Teacher Candidate Applicants: (Check one) ☐ Graduate Student ☐ Upcoming Senior ☐ Upcoming Junior

Essay Questions

In writing your response to each question below, the following must be **strictly observed**:

- The quality of writing is to be reflective of writing used in college/university term papers.
- Answers must be typed and double-spaced. Times New Roman, 12-point font is preferred.
- Limit response to four (4) double-spaced pages per question (8.5" x 11" only).
- Set margins at 1 inch top and bottom and 1.25 inches left and right.
- **Type the number and the question on the paper** before beginning your response.
- Responses must be printed on white paper and on the front side of the paper only.
- Do not staple your responses.

1. What tools or competencies make you an educational leader who embraces change and promotes creative thinking? Please explain using current examples of your actions, goals and thought processes.
2. What information should the selection committee consider about you for this scholarship?

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Recommendation Instructions

Applicant: Submit two recommendation letters with your application. We suggest obtaining recommendations from any of the following, if suitable for your situation: your immediate supervisor, a teacher who is familiar with your teaching, and/or a university professor. Teacher Candidate (student member) applicants must include at least one recommendation from a professor. Professional and Support applicants are not required to submit a recommendation from a professor.

You may give your recommender a copy of this page for their reference.

WRITTEN EVALUATION

Please supply a letter of recommendation on white paper or letterhead describing how this applicant stands out from his or her colleagues. Please write/type only on the front. Please **do not staple** your letter of recommendation if it is more than one page long. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please consider the following as you write:

- Academic, school and/or community involvement and accomplishments
- Interaction with students
- What will make/has made this applicant an effective educator?

Return the letter to the applicant so that they may include it with the rest of their scholarship packet. If you prefer, you may send it directly to the PAGE Foundation Scholarship office at scholarships@pageinc.org or mail to Michelle Crawford, PAGE Foundation Scholarship Program, PO Box 937, Young Harris, GA 30582.