

Pioneer-Plus Scholarship 2025

The Pioneer-Plus Scholarship is available to qualified Conestoga High School graduates after the conclusion of at least one successful year at a technical/trade school, a community college, or a 4-year college, to help cover the costs of the following year's tuition/room/board. All applicants must be well-rounded students who are committed to working hard in their schooling while also making good decisions in their everyday lives. Scholarship amounts vary, but they tend to be in the \$1000-\$3000 range. **No student can apply more than 3 times for this assistance.** To qualify for this award, the applicant must meet the requirements below:

- Earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 freshman year, and 3.0 subsequent years
- Participate in at least one sports team, club or other activity while on campus
- Hold at least a part time job while on campus and during the summer
- Exhibit a need for financial assistance by having received grants from all possible financial aid sources, including FAFSA & Pell (and PHEAA if at a PA school)
- Have a clean record of suspensions or disciplinary action during the previous year in college

Qualified applicants should complete the form below and submit it to the CHS by July 15. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

NOTE: All payments will be made directly to the college or institution.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of application _____ Previous Application? Y/N _____ If yes, how many years? _____

Student's Name (first) _____ (last) _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Current Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School attending _____ Major _____ Expected year of graduation _____

College Bursar's Office Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parents/Guardian Name(s) _____

GRADE/ACTIVITIES/JOB VERIFICATION

*Please indicate your cumulative GPA at the end of your most recent year (you will upload *a screenshot of your transcript or grades; be sure it includes your name and your GPA*). _____

*Please list all sports, musical/drama groups, clubs and/or other activities with which you were actively involved in your most recent year on campus. Include any leadership roles you hold.

*Please explain what job(s) you had in your most recent school year and what job(s) you will hold this coming summer.

TUITION/ROOM/BOARD EXPENSES

Please indicate the **total cost for attendance** at the school for the upcoming school year (assuming no aid).

Tuition/fees	\$ _____
Room (or apartment costs)	\$ _____
Board	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
TOTAL yearly cost	\$ _____

FINANCIAL AID STATUS

Please indicate all financial aid awards (both grants and loans) for the upcoming school year.

Stafford Loan (subsidized)	\$ _____
Stafford Loan (unsubsidized)	\$ _____
PEL Grant	\$ _____
PHEAA Grant*	\$ _____ (*required if you are attending a PA institution)
SEOG Grant	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Total aid	\$ _____

(NOTE: Do NOT include any work-study assistance in this list – that is not aid!)

Remaining gap for family \$ _____

DISCIPLINE RECORD VERIFICATION

Please indicate if you were suspended or subject to any disciplinary action during your most recent school year.

NO ___ YES ___ (if yes, please explain) _____

SHORT ESSAY

In 350-400 words, share a time when you had to balance competing priorities between your academics, work, and personal responsibilities. How did this experience prepare you for the next stage of your education? You will have the opportunity to upload your essay once you have completed and saved your application (link below).

PAYMENT TIMING

If approved, your payment will be split between the 2 semesters. Checks for the fall semester will be mailed to the school in early August. Checks for the spring semester will be mailed in December. If you attend a school with terms, (like Drexel) you should reach out to the CHS Student Services to confirm how payments are made. ***Please remember to confirm with CHS prior to the spring term to confirm that you will still need that check.***

I certify that all the information on this application is complete and accurate.

Signature

Date

The application must be received by CHS no later than **July 15**. No late entries accepted. Finished applications and essay are to be uploaded by clicking this link <https://forms.office.com/r/eCcW3pPdWT> :

- Any questions or concerns should be emailed to Nicole Jolly at CHS (JollyN@tesd.net). Please also copy Jenn Kratsa (kratsaj@tesd.net).