

# 2023 - 2024 Academic Scholarships

## MFMA Believes in Building a Better Tomorrow Through Education

The Maple Flooring Manufacturers Association (MFMA) offers five scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each for secondary, advanced, or trade school education. Applicants will be considered based on academic achievement, field of study, and written essay responses.

#### Guidelines

**Scholarships** – distributed at the start of the 2023 – 2024 academic year **Amount** - \$1,000 per scholarship

Criteria for scholarship – academic achievement, field of study, and essay

**Eligibility restrictions** – recipients must be legal residents of the US and must attend school in the US **Field of study** – applicants must be accepted into one of the following fields of study: Architecture, Forest Management, Forest Products Technology, Forest Science, Forestry Studies, Wood Science & Engineering, Wood Science & Technology, other fields related to wood technology, or studying a trade that translates to the wood flooring industry.

## **How to Apply**

Candidates must submit completed <u>applications</u> by **July 14, 2023**. At the end of the form, there will be a request to attach a file up to 10MB. All submitted material must be merged into one pdf file and include the following:

- Copy of the applicant's high school or college transcript
- 500-word typed essay
- Acceptance letter from a college, university or trade school indicating specific field of study

#### Essay

All applicants must submit a 500-word typed essay. Any essay significantly shorter or longer than 500 words will not be accepted. Please select ONE of the below topics for essay submission.

- How do you envision impacting the sports flooring industry and/or safety of athletes with your education?
- Explain how participating in sports has positively impacted your life.
- Many students choose their field of study based on a passion or inspiration that's developed over time what passion or inspiration led you to choose your area of study?
- Explain why sustainability is important and what you have done and will do to contribute to this initiative.
- Describe something that made a big impact in your life. Did this influence the field of study you chose?

Submitted essays are property of MFMA and may be used in print or electronic materials as the association sees fit.

### Recipients

Scholarship winners will be notified by **September 5, 2023**, and awards will be dispersed directly to the college, university, or trade school the recipient is/will be attending. If you are selected as a recipient, you will need to submit the following:

- 1. Student ID number, address, and instructions on how to apply funds to tuition.
- 2. A photo of you at your college, university, or trade school.
- 3. A statement on how winning this scholarship helps your educational goal.