The Shirley J. Gold Scholarship is open to an AFT-Oregon member in good standing with their local and is looking to further their education.

Shirley Gold was an innovative teacher and union leader who spent her life working for human rights. She served as President of Local 111 PFSP for 5 years, moved on to becoming President of AFT-Oregon and served 16 years in the Oregon House of Representatives.

Program Eligibility

- Must be an AFT-Oregon Member.
- Must be enrolled or enrolling in an accredited higher education, trade or technical program.
- Must submit a completed application before the deadline.

Instructions

- Application – Complete all questions, if a question is not applicable please insert ‘n/a’. Be sure to sign the application.
- Writing Assignment – Complete the essay assignment as directed and don’t forget the certification at the end of the essay.
- Reference – Have a local officer fill out the “Local Officer Verification” along with a letter stating “Why you deserve this scholarship.”
- Deadline – All materials must be received, emailed or postmark stamped, by January 31, 2020
- Winners notified – March 31, 2020
- Award Presentation – To be determined by the AFT-Oregon Scholarship Commission.

Applications

Email completed materials to: karenb@aft-oregon.org or mail to AFT-Oregon Scholarship Program, 10228 SW Capitol Hwy., Portland, Oregon 97219

Scholarship information and applications are available at www.aft-oregon.org or contact Karen at 971-888-5665
2020 Shirley J. Gold Scholarship Application

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________

Cell Phone: _____________________________ Email Address: ___________________________

AFT-Oregon Local Name: ______________________________ Local Number: _______________

Employer Name: _______________________________ Job Title: _________________________

To complete the application please sign after reading the following statement: “AFT-Oregon has my permission to speak with references, local officers and to verify any claims contained herein, including information about employment, education and membership status.”

Applicant Signature: _______________________________ Date: ______________

Writing Assignment

- Topic: “Why union activism is important and how I would use the scholarship.” Include where you plan to attend school, area of study and career you plan to pursue with this education.
- Paper should be typewritten, double spaced and no shorter than two pages and no longer than four.
- The end of your essay must include the following certification, be signed and dated: “I hereby certify that this essay is an original composition created by me without assistance.”

Local Officer Verification

Include a letter of reference from a local officer of your union stating why you deserve this scholarship. Also have a local officer sign this application.

Local Officer Signature: _______________________________ Date: ______________

Officer Printed Name: _______________________________ Local: _______________

Submit completed application materials by January 31, 2020

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