



This annual scholarship was established by Alpha One Disability + Aging Solutions to assist people with disabilities who wish to pursue post-secondary education. The scholarship will provide up to \$5000 per candidate who is accepted into post-secondary school education (after high school) including undergraduate college education as well as graduate programs.

**Alpha One will accept applications on a rolling basis until April 1.**

## Eligibility

To be considered for the Powering Education Scholarship, you must:

- Have a documented disability (as defined by [The World Health Organization](#)), whether that be visual, hearing, mobility, cognitive, speech or other disability.
- Be a current student or past graduate at a high school within the state of Maine.
- Have a B average or equivalent GPA.
- Have received an acceptance letter from a post-secondary institution.

Please note, scholarship recipient need not be a high school senior, but may be anyone pursuing higher education, regardless of high school graduation date.

## How to Apply

To apply for the Powering Education Scholarship, email the following items to [mardi@alphaonenow.org](mailto:mardi@alphaonenow.org), fax to 207-799-8346, or mail to P.O. Box 1870 Portland, ME 04104

- **Essay.** A 500 to 1000 word personal essay stating how your disability has helped shape your view of the world and you as a person.
- **Letter of Recommendation.** Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance administrator, coach, clergy, etc.
- **High School Transcripts.** Include an unofficial copy of your current high school transcript.
- **Complete Application Form.** Fill out the entire Application Form at the end of this page. You can type the information or print clearly.

## Payment of Awards

Awards will be made upon the successful completion of the first semester of post-secondary school. To qualify as a successful semester, the student must maintain at least a 2.5 on the 4.0 scale. In order to receive payment for the first semester, transcripts must be received by Alpha One. Checks will be made out to the post-secondary school and must be endorsed by both parties. Alpha One reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this program and to make changes at any time, including termination.

[Alternate application formats available on request.](#)

**POWERING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Disability \_\_\_\_\_  
Extracurricular Activities/Groups \_\_\_\_\_  
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Honors/Awards \_\_\_\_\_  
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Volunteer Opportunities \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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College/University you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_  
Program/Major \_\_\_\_\_  
How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

All of the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
STUDENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

