



Jacqueline B. Vaughn Memorial Scholarship

Awarded by AFT Local 604

This memorial scholarship was established to honor the late Illinois Federation of Teachers' president Jacqueline B. Vaughn. Her commitment and dedication were hallmarks of her nearly four decades in the teacher union movement. She was elected IFT president in 1989 and was completing her third term of office when she died in 1994. She was also a member of the AFT Executive Council and chaired the AFT Task Force on School Safety and Violence.

AFT Local 604 is offering at least one \$4,000 (\$2,000 per semester) scholarship to dependents of all AFT Local members who are in good standing with the Union.

Rules and Requirements

- Applications must be postmarked on or before Feb. 1st, 2023
- Applicant must be a public high school senior or be enrolled in an undergraduate, vocational, or trades program with at least a "B" cumulative average
- The following must be submitted with the application:
 1. Transcript from a high school or college or university
 2. Completion of an essay of no more than 500-750 words from the approved list that addresses the topic and rubric
 3. Description of extracurricular activities, such as community service, academic organizations, fine arts, and/or team sports
- Parent(s) or guardian must be an AFT Local 604 member in good standing
- Scholarships will be presented to the winners upon proof of enrollment at a college or university in any state or vocational/trades program
- A letter of recommendation from a current teacher/counselor or college/trade school professor

Essay: Please answer the following question in 500-750 words. Be sure to review the rubric before submitting the essay.

- Unions, like the AFT, continue to be under attack by anti-union groups. In November and after the Workers' Rights Amendment passed in Illinois, former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said, "The most dangerous person in the world is Randi Weingarten," president of the AFT. In your essay, detail how unions played a major role in the development of our country and are important to the future of our country.

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Date _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Personal E-mail _____ Cell Phone _____

Parents' AFT Local 604 Council Name _____

Parents' School District _____

List your high school activities _____

Explain your volunteer work _____

If you have had a job, explain what you do _____

What university/college would/are you attending _____

What is your major _____

Return to AFT Local 604 on or before February 1st.

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