



Ohio Educational Library Media Association (OELMA) Awards Program:

Library Leadership Ohio Scholarship

PURPOSE

OELMA's Library Leadership of Ohio Scholarship is awarded to a successful Library Leadership Ohio candidate. This award recognizes members who demonstrate leadership potential and encourages development of members' leadership skills. The scholarship is intended to help defray registration costs for school librarians attending Library Leadership Ohio, a state-sponsored residential leadership education program.

THE AWARD

OELMA's Library Leadership of Ohio Scholarship recipient receives a maximum stipend of \$ 200 for Library Leadership Ohio registration and a framed commemorative certificate. The stipend may be divided between applicants, if multiple OELMA members were selected to attend the leadership program in a specific year. The honoree will be recognized during OELMA's Awards Luncheon at Annual Conference. The scholarship recipient's name will be posted on the Scholarship & Awards section of OELMA's Web page and announced via the E-mail list.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

OELMA's Scholarship & Awards Committee is charged with reviewing applications for all Association awards. The Scholarship and Awards Committee is comprised of a representative from each OELMA Region, the Immediate Past President, and the Scholarship and Awards Chair, who is appointed by the President. Although this Committee makes award recommendations, OELMA's Board of Directors makes the final decision at the May Board meeting.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Library Leadership of Ohio Scholarship recipient will be selected from applicants and nominees who meet the following criteria:

- OELMA member, who has been selected to attend Library Leadership of Ohio education program;
- Certified library media specialist, who's currently employed at an Ohio school; and
- Evidence of active participation in OELMA activities.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application packets should include the following materials:

- Completed OELMA Scholarship & Awards Program Application Form;
- Copy of the acceptance letter from the Library Leadership of Ohio education program;
- Nomination letter, which outlines the applicant's education, employment, and professional history; and
- Letter of support providing specific evidence of active participation in OELMA activities.

All application materials must be submitted to the OELMA Office in a single packet or .pdf file. The following three submission methods may be used:

- **Hand-deliver the Awards submission materials to the OELMA Office by 5 p.m. April 15;**
- **Mail the Awards submission materials, which must be postmarked by 5 p.m. April 15; or**
- **E-mail the Awards submission materials to kate@assnoffices.com by 5 p.m. April 15.**
Submission materials MUST be attached to the E-mail as a single .pdf file.

Late materials will not be accepted.

Send completed application materials to: OELMA Office, c/o Scholarships & Awards Committee, 17 South High Street, Suite 200, Columbus, OH 43215 E-mail: Kate@assnoffices.com