



2017/2018 Scholarship Award Application Form

The Mid-Atlantic Tent Renters Association, Inc. is dedicated to promoting the tent rental industry in the Mid-Atlantic Region and beyond. Our mission is to assist our rental company members in education, safety, and product knowledge.

Mid-Atlantic Tent Renters Association, Inc.
2017 Membership Scholarship Award
April 3, 2017:

Deadline: Scholarship application, transcripts and three (3) reference letters must be received on or before: April 3, 2017. Any applications received after that date will be automatically disqualified. Applicants entering their sophomore year must supply transcripts from their freshman year. Juniors, Seniors and Graduate Students must supply copies all college transcripts. The following shall qualify as a reference letter:

1. Representative of the member company with which you are affiliated;
2. High school, college, university or technical school advisor; and
3. A person (not a relative) who has known you for at least five (5) years;

The following **does not** qualify as a reference letter:

1. College roommates or college roommates of your friends and/or acquaintances;
2. Any individual under the age of eighteen (18);

Send to: MATRA
Attn: Michael Tannen, CSEP, Executive Director
P.O. Box 9826
Wilmington, DE 19809

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Information: Should you require additional information or have any questions, please contact Michael Tannen, CSEP, Executive Director at +1 302-765-3945; FAX +1 302-241-2177 or email mtannen@matramembers.org.

Mid-Atlantic Tent Renters Association Intends to offer the following for the 2017/ 2018 academic year:

Two (2) Scholarships of \$2,500.00 each to a full time university, college or technical school/community college student entering their sophomore year or higher;

A check will be forwarded directly to the College, University or Technical School/Community College that you are attending to be applied to your student account which may cover tuition for educational credits, housing or books and educational materials. Award scholarship applications will be reviewed by the Educational Sponsorship Committee and award recipients will be notified on or before **May 15, 2017**.

Eligibility requirements:

-  Eligibility of a “member” company: The “member” company must be a current member, with dues paid in full, for a consecutive two-year period. That member may pay by the conference 2016 (which will be considered “year 1”) and then they must pay their dues by March 31, 2017 (which will be considered “year 2”) in order to have one of their member employees/family member apply for the 2017 scholarship.
-  Applicants must be associated with a MATRA member company as one of the following: 1) a current full-time employee with the member company; 2) immediate family of a current employee of a member company; or 3) a current part-time or seasonal employee of a member company who is nominated by the company.
-  Applicants must have completed at least 2 semesters of college and or technical school and entering their sophomore year or higher of study. MATRA Scholarships will be offered annually and students must reapply each year to be reconsidered.
-  The Member Scholarship award provides tuition expenses at an accredited college, university or technical school/community college. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic achievement, community service, and interest in a future career in the Special Event and Tent industry.
Part-time attendance will be considered if the student has at least nine credit hours.
-  Immediate Family members of the MATRA board are not eligible.
-  The scholarship application, essays, school-documented transcripts and letters of reference all must be completed and returned via email or postmarked by April 3, 2017 to the MATRA executive director. It is the responsibility of the applicant to check all information and submit a completed application with supporting documents. You will receive an email acknowledgement upon receipt of the completed application. **If the applicant is a dorm or off campus housing resident, please provide the expected departure date from that residence for Spring 2017.**



The scholarship committee will review the applications in late spring 2017. The committee will notify recipients by telephone and/or mail by May 15th. Recipients will be acknowledged at the MATRA 2017 conference. All decisions of the committee are final.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Program of Study/Major(s): _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

College/University/Technical School/Community College Information

Name: _____

Student School ID/Account Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Website: _____

Name of Advisor: _____

Contact Number of Advisor: _____

Affiliation with Member Company

Your Affiliation: _____

Company Name: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Applicant Questions

Please provide a statement, with specific details, on your course of study and why you chose it: _____

Describe your career goals as they relate to pursuing a career in the tent rental industry:

Describe your extra-curricular, community service, hobbies and recreational activities:

List your employment for the last five years and your job description for that job:

Please share with the Committee the percentages that each source contributed last year towards funding your education expenses. Percentages should add up to 100%:

- _____ Savings
- _____ Student Loans
- _____ Parents
- _____ Summer Job
- _____ Job during school year
- _____ Scholarships
- _____ Other (Please specify)

Please provide a statement explaining your financial need or what this scholarship would mean to your finances. Do not exceed five hundred (500) words:

If you need additional space to answer any of the questions, or would like to add any other relevant facts you feel may be pertinent (e.g., family obligations, disabilities, etc.) please attach a separate sheet of paper clearly marked with the applicant's information. In addition, please restate the question at the top of the page so that the Committee will know which question you are answering.

It is your responsibility to review your application and make certain it is complete and information and statements are accurate and correct. The completed application, transcripts and three (3) reference letters must be received by the MATRA office on or before April 3, 2017. Make sure your references meet the criteria.

Signature of Student

DATE

Print Name

Contact Phone Number

Email Address