**Professional Women of the Finger Lakes Athena Scholarship – 2022**

Application Deadline: April 15, 2022

Scholarship Paid: After completion of the course or at least eight weeks attendance within 12 months of award. **Applicants must meet the following criteria:**

* Be a female, over age 25, who resides in Ontario County who is returning to education after at least one year has passed since attending/graduating high school
* Be accepted at a College or Institute of higher learning or other accredited education program
* Demonstrate community/volunteer involvement
* Complete a personal statement about how women can ensure independence and how receiving this scholarship will help you achieve your goals
* Demonstrate some level of financial need
* Submit **completed** application by the deadline

**I. Personal Data**

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**II. Personal Statement**

Please write an essay of 500 words or less about receiving this scholarship can ensure your independence and help you achieve your goals

**III. Education**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What school or program are you planning on attending? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted in writing from this school? Yes/No (if No, please explain)

**IV. Work Experience**

Briefly describe what type of work experience you have had using specific dates, begin with present employer.

**V. School Experience (Academics, clubs & sports)**

Please list any clubs, sports, or advanced academic programs you have participated in through your school career.

**VI. Volunteer & Community Involvement**

Please describe any involvement you have had in the community, volunteer activities, and/or other organizations

including any office you have held.

**VII. Recommendations:**

Please include two personal recommendations (teacher, employer, etc.)

**VIII. Additional Information**

Please include any information that you feel the committee should be aware of when considering this application (ex: transcripts, progress reports).

**Important things to Consider**

**Your personal statement** weighs heavy on the committee’s decision. (You will need to add additional pages to your application). **Only fully completed applications** (application, transcript, personal statement, and recommendations) will be considered.

**Please return your completed application by April 15, 2022 to:**

PWFL, PO BOX 423, Canandaigua, NY 14424 **OR** e-mail to PWFLNYS@gmail.com