

# 2024 – 2025 Academic Scholarships MFMA Believes in Building a Better Tomorrow Through Education

The Maple Flooring Manufacturers Association (MFMA) offers five scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each for secondary, advanced, or trade school education. Applicants will be considered based on academic achievement, field of study, and written essay responses.

#### Guidelines

*Scholarships* – distributed at the start of the 2024 – 2025 academic year

Amount - \$1,000 per scholarship

Criteria for scholarship - academic achievement, field of study, and essay

*Eligibility restrictions* – recipients must be legal residents of the US and must attend school in the US

**Field of study** – applicants must be accepted into one of the following fields of study: Architecture, Forest Management, Forest Products Technology, Forest Science, Forestry Studies, Wood Science & Engineering, Wood Science & Technology, other fields related to wood technology, or studying a trade that translates to the wood flooring industry.

## How to Apply

Candidates must submit completed <u>applications</u> by **July 12, 2024**. At the end of the form, there will be a request to attach a file up to 10MB. All submitted material must be merged into <u>one pdf file</u> and include the following:

- Copy of the applicant's high school or college transcript
- 500-word typed essay
- Acceptance letter from a college, university or trade school indicating specific field of study

### Essay

All applicants must submit a 500-word typed essay. Any essay significantly shorter or longer than 500 words will not be accepted. Please select ONE of the below topics for essay submission.

- How do you envision impacting the sports flooring industry and/or safety of athletes with your education?
- Explain how participating in sports has positively impacted your life.
- Many students choose their field of study based on a passion or inspiration that's developed over time what passion or inspiration led you to choose your area of study?
- Explain why sustainability is important and what you have done and will do to contribute to this initiative.
- Describe why MFMA hard maple flooring is superior to other flooring types.

#### Submitted essays are property of MFMA and may be used in print or electronic materials as the association sees fit.

### Recipients

Scholarship winners will be notified by **September 3, 2024**, and awards will be dispersed directly to the college, university, or trade school the recipient is/will be attending. If you are selected as a recipient, you will need to submit the following:

- 1. Student ID number, address, and instructions on how to apply funds to tuition.
- 2. A photo of you at your college, university, or trade school.
- 3. A statement on how winning this scholarship helps your educational goal.