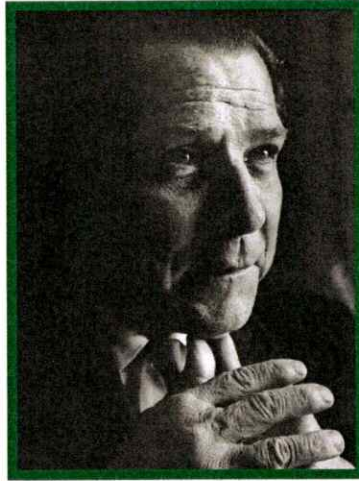

2026

Academic and Vocational Scholarships Benefiting Teamster Families



**JAMES R. HOFFA MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

History of the James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund



In 1999, General President James P. Hoffa and Tom Keegel, then General Secretary-Treasurer, created the James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund to support the education of the children of Teamster members. Over the years, the Fund has grown and has awarded scholarships to thousands of Teamster children.

The Fund [501 (c) (3) #52-2206826] awards academic scholarships in the amounts of \$10,000 or \$1,000 and

Vocational/Training Program scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 to the sons, daughters and financial dependents of Teamster members — including members of the BLET and BMWED.

A sampling of the colleges/universities that the Academic awardees have attended are: Auburn University, University of California, Boston University, University of Florida, McMaster University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The Fund began awarding Vocational/Training Program scholarships in 2017. Each of the scholarship recipients are required to enroll in a vocational/training program that is in an industry that is Teamster-represented. Some of the recent recipients are studying in programs for: nursing, bioengineering, aviation, film arts, welding.

The application process opens up at the end of November with a submission deadline in early March. Please check the Fund's website for the most up to date information: www.jrhmsf.org

Past scholarship winners offer their perspective and encouragement:



DR. JENNIFER CHERONE
\$10k winner – molecular biologist

“It’s not just a textbook, its more than that. The scholarship was a vote of confidence in my abilities to succeed.”



TIM THORNTON
\$10k winner – contracting officer

“It was truly a blessing to be awarded this scholarship.”



DR. ERIC JOHNSON
\$10k winner – high school administrator

“I was the first person in my family to go to college.”



KIM VAN TRUONG
\$10k winner – architectural designer

“My parents worked tirelessly to provide for me and my sisters and to save money for college. I used the scholarship to pay for two years of tuition which alleviated a huge financial burden on my parents.”



THOMAS DAVIS
\$10k winner – labor attorney

“The scholarship opened up many doors and opportunities for me.”

Resources

To apply for either the Academic or Vocational/Training Program JRHMSF scholarship, see our website www.jrhmsf.org*

The James R. Hoffa Memorial Scholarship Fund is an independent 501 (c) 3 organization (#52-2206826).

Eligibility: For the sons, daughters and financial dependents of Teamster members* (including the BMWED and BLET).

** The children or financial dependents of full-time local union officers or full-time staff of local unions are ineligible.*



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