



2026 Inaugural PEF Region 1 College Grant (\$500)

Eligibility:

- Child or grandchild of an active PEF Region 1 member entering as a college freshman or continuing higher education up to and including a doctorate degree.
- Or an active PEF Region 1 member in pursuit of a degree.
- Up to ten (10) awards of \$500 each will be granted.

How to apply:

- Complete the application below
- Complete an essay based on the application question
- Submit proof of enrollment at the institution of higher education
- Application deadline: August 1, 2026 (applications must be postmarked by August 1, 2026 to be considered received).
- The PEF Region 1 Grant Committee will review applications and notify the winners via phone call and email by August 21, 2026.
- Awards will distributed at the WNY Labor Day Parade on September 7, 2026. If the winner is unable to attend the parade, their award will be mailed to them.

All applications must be mailed to the PEF Region 1 field office:

4950 Genesee St Ste 150, Buffalo, NY 14225
Attn: 2026 PEF Region 1 College Grant

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Applicant Phone Number: _____

Relation to PEF Member: _____

Division of PEF Member: _____

NYS Agency: _____

College Institution Enrollment Information

Name of School: _____

Course of Study: _____

Proof of Enrollment (attached): Yes No

Essay Question: What is the importance of working for an employer that has union representation?

Use additional sheets of paper for your typed essay.

Date Received by PEF: _____ Committee Comments: _____