POLISH JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(please indicate which scholarship you are applying for) _____ Undergraduate _____ Josephine Karwoski Memorial _____ Helen Weber Memorial Name in Full ______ Marital Status _____ Date of Birth / / Place of Birth Permanent/Voting Address _____ Cell Phone ()~ Home Phone (____)~____ Name of Parents (or Guardian) Percentage of Polish Ancestry: Mother _____ Father _____ Mother's Maiden Name Undergraduate School _____ Major ____ GPA ____ Graduate School _____ Major _____ GPA _____ School you are planning to attend during 2025/2026 _____ Location Anticipated Date of Graduation _____ Intended Major _____ Have you been accepted (circle) YES NO How did you hear about these Scholarships _____ PERSONAL DATA: Current Occupation _____ Name and Address of Employer _____ Employer's Phone (_______ Years Employed ______ Will you be employed during the school year? (Circle) YES NO What amount will you *personally* contribute toward college expenses \$______ Are you currently receiving financial aid through your college? (Circle) YES NO What amount will you finance through loans/scholarships? \$______ Are you related to a member of the Polish Junior League? (Circle) YES NO If yes, member's name Relationship Have you ever received a Polish Junior League Scholarship? (Circle) YES NO If yes, what year? _____ What amount? _____

ESSAY:

ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, TYPE A **ONE-PAGE** ESSAY DISCUSSING YOUR EDUCATION, CAREER GOALS, YOUR **POLISH HERITAGE**, AND HOW THIS AWARD WILL HELP YOU REACH YOUR GOALS.

IN ADDITION TO *ONE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION (Must be dated in 2025)*, please provide TWO ADDITIONAL REFERENCES. **(EXCLUDE** family members.)

1.	Name	Phone () ~	
	Address		
	Relationship to Applicant		
2.	Name	Phone () ~	
	Address		
	Relationship to Applicant		
I,		, the applicant, hereby sign t unction with this application is correct and true	his form
and st	ate that all information supplied in conju	unction with this application is correct and true	e.
Signat	ture	Date	

* * * * COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 1, 2025

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL PAPERWORK TO:

Polish Junior League of Massachusetts, Inc. ATTN: Scholarship Chairperson 872 Birnie Avenue West Springfield, MA 01089

Or EMAIL COMPLETED ALLICATIONS AND PAPERWORK TO: PJLOFMA@gmail.com

Fall 2023 and Spring and Fall 2024 Official Transcripts, with Seal, are Required From your school

POLISH JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION RULES AND CHECKLIST

ELIGIBILITY:

All applicants for the Helen Weber Scholarship.

- 1. MUST be of Polish heritage. Non-biological children of Polish parents, regardless of race or ethnicity, are encouraged to apply and are given equal consideration.
- 2. MUST have a permanent address in Western Massachusetts (Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire or Hampden County)
- 3. MUST be enrolled in the **sophomore year (36 credits minimum)** at a four-year accredited College or University. Students who are completing a two-year program at a Community College and have been accepted and are transferring to a four-year College or University are eligible to apply.
- 4. MUST be a Media or Communication Specialist, Library Science, or Journalism major.
- 5. Have never received an Undergraduate Scholarship from the Polish Junior League of Massachusetts, Inc.

All applicants for the *Undergraduate Scholarship:*

- 1. MUST be of Polish heritage. Non-biological children of Polish parents, regardless of race or ethnicity, are encouraged to apply and are given equal consideration.
- 2. MUST have a permanent address in Western Massachusetts (Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire or Hampden County)
- 3. MUST be enrolled in the **sophomore year (36 credits minimum)** at a four-year accredited College or University. Students who are completing a two-year program at a Community College and have been accepted and are transferring to a four-year College or University are eligible to apply.
- 4. Have never received an Undergraduate Scholarship from the Polish Junior League of Massachusetts, Inc.

All applicants for the Josephine Karwoski Memorial Scholarship:

- 1. MUST be female.
- 2. MUST be of Polish heritage. Non-biological children of Polish parents, regardless of race or ethnicity, are encouraged to apply and are given equal consideration.
- 3. MUST be currently enrolled or accepted to a graduate degree program, OR a non-traditional student returning as an undergraduate student at a four-year accredited College or University.
- 4. MUST have a permanent address in Western Massachusetts (Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire or Hampden County)
- 5. Have *never* received a Helen Weber, Undergraduate or Josephine Karwoski Memorial Scholarship from the Polish Junior League of Massachusetts, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA: In order for your application to be considered, the following must be met:

- 1. This application must be complete, neat, and printed neatly (no cursive) and can be submitted via email.
- 2. This application and all of its supporting information must be received by the Scholarship Committee Chairperson no later than the firm deadline of <u>May 1, 2025</u>. (Supporting documents are: one written letter of recommendation dated in 2025, one-page essay on Polish Heritage and goals, and Fall 2023-Spring 2024-Fall 2024 college transcript.).
- 3. Official college/university transcripts must be supplied by your school and received no later than the *firm* deadline of *May 1, 2025* (Official Transcript with Embossed Sea if sent by mail) Digital Transcripts will be accepted from the school or their agents.
- 4. A one-page essay discussing your **education**, **career goals** and your **Polish Heritage** must accompany this application.
- 5. One or more current (must be dated in 2025) letters of recommendation are required.
- 6. If more space is needed, attach an additional page. Be sure to put your name at the top of any attachments.
- 7. All information must be sent to:
 - Polish Junior League of Massachusetts, Inc. ATTN: Scholarship Chairperson, 872 Birnie Avenue.

 West Springfield, MA 01089 Or EMAIL'D to PJLOFMA@gmail.com
- 8. In mid/late-May, you will be notified ONLY if you have been chosen to receive a scholarship.