

Dear Shiawassee county Educators:

This is to alert you and your English/Writing teachers of this opportunity.

The Shiawassee Writers Group is pleased to announce an offer to two area high school seniors the opportunity to earn a \$250 scholarship toward either further education or to be used at a national writing conference of their choice.

To be eligible to apply for these scholarships, a student is to not only be a senior at your school, but have a letter of reference from an English, writing, journalism, or school newspaper teacher. We also require a 2,500 word maximum writing of their choice such as an essay, short story, newspaper article or poem.

If a student from your school does win at least one of the scholarships, we will be honoring them at one of our regularly scheduled meetings as well as any honor banquets or ceremonies you have scheduled at your school.

We offer this scholarship for your 2024 seniors. If this is something you would be interested in, Please contact:

Leland Scott, Scholarship Coordinator, at 517 625 7826 or email to [lscott@tds.net](mailto:lscott@tds.net) for more information. Please find attached an application that can be used to apply for the scholarship with the above requirements attached.

Thank you and we hope to hear from you soon.

Leland Scott

SAW Scholarship Coordinator

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## **SAW**

In the spring of 2017, The **Shiawassee Area Writers** group formed. It was created to allow people who are interested in writing to share and learn from each other.

It has since grown from five or six to approximately 20 members. Some are serious full time writers, writing and publishing books or articles. Some are part time writers who write for pleasure or as a hobby. We meet twice a month to share our works and thoughts and learn from the experience of others in publishing and promoting our writings.

In 2018 we joined forces and co-authored an anthology and have followed with another one each year. Our anthologies were themed, surrounding topics of Michigan or Shiawassee County and included Memoirs, fiction, history and poetry according to the talents of each writer.

We have published and sold our books as a non-profit organization, using the money to fund the group and to give to charity. The anthologies have served to also encourage and help beginning writers in selling their own works.

We have used some of our income to inspire young writers of the county and possibly start them toward a writing goal. We do this by giving a scholarship to some deserving local high school writer each year.

# Shiawassee Area Writers

High School Scholarship  
(Graduating class of 2024)

**Application Due: April 1, 2024** - Scholarship total amount (\$1,000) toward either further education or registration to a national writing conference of your choice.

**Qualifications:** Must be a 2024 graduating senior of a Shiawassee Area School or a homeschooled student interested in a writing-related field of study.

## Student Must Submit:

This completed Application to the address on the bottom of the form with:

1. signed Reference letter from a Writing teacher, either English, Creative Writing, Journalism, or a newspaper or yearbook advisor concerning your writing abilities
2. 2,500 word maximum essay, short story, newspaper article, or poem.
3. photo, preferably your senior photo, and permission to use that for publicity purposes.

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE ATTENDING THIS FALL: \_\_\_\_\_

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT'S STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I authorize Shiawassee Area Writers use of all my information on this form for publicity purposes and give permission to publish my photo should I be selected for this scholarship. I will attend at least one SAW meeting to be awarded the scholarship upon which monies will be deposited directly to my college or to a national writing conference registration of my choice.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this completed application, Reference Letter, and writing to:  
Leland Scott, 601 Madison St. Perry, Mi. 48872.