



**Lackawanna County
Area Agency on Aging**
in partnership with
Lackawanna College
Scholarship Information Guide



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Lackawanna County Caregiver Scholarship

Overview

The Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging In partnership with Lackawanna College, will cover the full cost of tuition for home care workers employed in affiliate organizations through the Student Caregiver Scholarship.

Responsibilities include household chores, errands, meal prep, bathing and companionship for adults age 60 and older. No experience necessary and training is provided.

- Caregivers must commit to 15 hour per week minimum, up to \$14 an hour rate
- Valid driver's license required and must complete background check
- Students can take part-time or full-time coursework
- Enroll in any program or major including continuing education programs, certificate, associate and bachelor degrees
- Must maintain a 2.0 GPA

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Lackawanna County Caregiver Scholarship

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Resources

Sample Email/Letter Requesting Employment

Date [enter date]

Dear [enter employers name]:

My name is [enter name]. I am a student at Lackawanna College who is applying for the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging's Student Caregiver Scholarship. I am looking for employment with your agency for a minimum of 15 hours per week. I am interested in providing personal care services to older adults to qualify for this scholarship.

If you have any available employment opportunities, I would be interested in scheduling an interview at your earliest convenience. The best way to contact me is [enter phone number and/or email-both is preferred].

Sincerely,
[your name]

Lackawanna County Caregiver Scholarship

LACKAWANNA COUNTY CARES STUDENT CAREGIVER SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

Whereas, the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging has entered into an Agreement with Lackawanna College to provide tuition assistance to students who are committed to providing supportive services to older adults residing in Lackawanna County;

Whereas, the scholarship program is referred to as the Lackawanna County Cares Student Caregiver Scholarship (hereinafter Caregiver Scholarship);

Whereas, the students employed by a Lackawanna County AAA Personal Care Provider (hereinafter Agency) are eligible to apply for the Caregiver Scholarship.

Whereas, students receiving tuition assistance acknowledge the Caregiver Scholarship is predicated on specific parameters to maintain eligibility for the scholarship; and

NOW THEREFORE, intending to be bound by this Agreement, all Parties affirm the following:

1. The Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging (hereinafter LCAAA) has provided funding to Lackawanna College (hereinafter College) for the Caregiver Scholarship.
2. _____ (hereinafter Student) has applied for the Caregiver Scholarship and has been deemed eligible.
3. The Student agrees they shall be enrolled at the College to maintain eligibility for the Caregiver Scholarship;
4. The Student shall work for the Agency and provide direct services to an older adult referred by LCAAA to the Agency.

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5. The Student shall work for no less than 200 hours per semester for the Agency. The hourly requirement per semester shall include any training provided to the student necessary for providing direct services to an older adult.

6. The Student shall maintain no less than a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).

7. The Student understands the Caregiver Scholarship will cover the cost of tuition only and that the Student is responsible for any and all other fees related to their matriculation at the College.

8. The Student may be eligible for the Caregiver Scholarship for more than one (1) semester.

9. The Student is required to abide by all rules and regulations as outlined by the Lackawanna College Student Handbook (hereinafter Handbook).

10. The Student is required to abide by all rules and regulations of the Agency (hereinafter Agency manual).

11. The Student shall provide proof of their Pennsylvania State Criminal Clearance (hereinafter clearance) to the Agency on or before their first day of employment and shall provide a new clearance thereafter every six (6) months in which they are employed by the Agency.

12. The Student shall notify the Agency and the College within twenty-four (24) hours of any non-traffic criminal charges filed against them.

13. The Student acknowledges they are not employed by LCAAA and have no employer/employee relationship with LCAAA.

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CAREGIVER SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT** (continued)

14. The Student acknowledges that if they should become ineligible for the Caregiver Scholarship during the course of any semester at the College, the Student shall be solely responsible for any tuition owed to the College for that semester.

15. By signing this agreement, the Student acknowledges they have received the handbook from the College and manual from the Agency. I have received and read this Agreement and agree to abide by all terms and conditions of the Caregiver Scholarship.

BY STUDENT:

(signature)

Approved by Lackawanna College By:

(signature)

Approved by Employer By:

(signature)

Lackawanna County Building Community Partnerships Leadership Program

Overview

Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging in partnership with the Lackawanna College's Office of Continuing Education offers Building Community Partnerships. This is a Professional Certificate Program developing collaboration among social services partners affiliated with the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging.

Each cohort offers a 10-week series each Friday at Lackawanna College from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Angeli Hall, Room TBD. Tuition is sponsored by the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging's Scholarship fund.

Expert-led topics include:

- Networking
- Interpersonal Skills Development
- Professionalism at Work
- Conflict Resolution
- Essentials of team building
- Time Management (online course)
- Spanish for Social Service Professionals (online course)
- Cyber Security – Awareness and Threats
- Microsoft Excel and Google Docs
- Graduation Ceremony and Group Presentations

Leadership Program typically meets annually:

- March- May
- August-October

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Continuing Education Scholarship for Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging Contracted Providers

Overview

Affiliated Personal Care Providers of the Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging are eligible to receive Continuing Education Courses for individuals or groups for professional staff development. Approval is based on the availability of Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging's Scholarship fund.

Lackawanna College features a wide range of adults continuing education programs designed to cater to as many types of professionals as possible. Learn about some of our most popular program areas below.

www.lackawanna.edu/academics/continuing-education/

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