

## **The P.E.O. Chapter CP \$500.00 Book Award**

P.E.O.(Philanthropic Education Organization), one of the pioneer societies for women was founded on January 21, 1869, by seven students at Iowa College in Mount Pleasant, Iowa. Today, P.E. O. has grown from a tiny membership of seven to almost a quarter of a million in chapters across the United States and Canada. *In the spirit of supporting women's education the local Alliance, Ohio, Chapter CP has instituted the Yearly Book Award to begin the school year of 2019-2020.*

The purpose of this award is to help local women students with the cost of college/university books.

The P.E.O. Chapter CP Book Award goes to a woman in her final academic year of secondary education meeting the following *requirements* and providing documentation (modeled after the P.E. O. STAR Scholarship):

- a. Exhibits excellence in leadership, academics, extracurricular activities, community service and future potential.
- b. Has a minimum cumulative un-weighted GPA of 3.0 – on a 4.0 scale.
- c. Is a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.
- d. Is accepted and plans to attend an accredited post – secondary educational institution in the United States or Canada, full – time or part time, in the fall of the academic year following high school graduation.
- e. Is recommended and receives the vote of local P.E. O. chapter CP after reading submitted essays.
- f. To be considered for the PEO Book Award the student must submit by April 30, 2020 a written recommendation from a teacher or counselor that testify to the above: a., b., c., and d.

Accompanying the teacher/counselor recommendation the student will submit a one page single space, typed, 12 point, standard font response to the prompt listed below:

*Identify a book, story, poem, essay or news article and explain in a well developed and specific response how it has influenced your thinking and in turn your plan to further your education.*

Forms should be turned in by mail or email to the following PEO contact person by April 30, 2020:

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