



# William J. Cooke Memorial Scholarship

## Application 2020-2021

In recognition of his tireless efforts to improve the working conditions of his fellow brothers and sisters Teamsters Local 623 established the William J. Cooke Memorial Scholarship. Bill "Cooke" was a Teamster member for 32 years. For more than half of his career, Cooke served as an elected Union officer.

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of scholastic achievement and personal qualifications as determined by the Selection Committee. All applicants will be considered without regard to race, religion, gender, disability, or any other legally protected status. All awards will be delivered directly to the applicant.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 31, 2021

Return completed applications to:

William J Cooke Scholarship Fund  
4369 Richmond Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19137

Applicants for the Scholarship must be:

- The child or grandchild of an active Local 623 member who had at least 12 months of consecutive membership in good standing.
- The child or grandchild of a member in good standing during the 12 months preceding the application deadline or, if retired or deceased, the member must have been in good standing for the 12 months preceding his/her retirement or death. The parent/grandparent cannot be a current officer/employee of the Local Union.
- Currently in their last year of high school and planning to attend an accredited college, university or vocational school.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State ZIP Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Member SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 1: TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address*

\_\_\_\_\_

*City*

*State*

*ZIP Code*

Did you graduate?    YES    NO  
                                     Year of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your educational objective? \_\_\_\_\_

Which accredited college, university or vocational school do you plan to attend?

First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Which field of study do you plan to enter? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please list the school and/or community activities in which you have been an active participant. Be as specific as you can. (If necessary, use a separate sheet and attach it to this application) Rank these experiences in the order in which you think participation in them contributed to your social, cultural and educational development.*

Activity or association: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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*List any honors, prizes or other special recognitions have you received. Include both school and community recognition. (If necessary, use a separate sheet and attach it to this application).*

Award: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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*I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 2: TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, COUNSELOR OR ADVISOR**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First*

Name of Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate the student's rank in class. If exact rank is not available please estimate.*

Student ranks exactly/approximately: \_\_\_\_\_ in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ as of \_\_\_\_\_  
*Circle one Date*

Student ranks in the top: \_\_\_\_\_ % of a class of \_\_\_\_\_ as of \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*Please indicate the student's grade point average (on a 4.0 scale).*

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ As of: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3: TO BE COMPLETED BY TEAMSTERS LOCAL 623 SECRETARY TREASURER**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is currently employed by \_\_\_\_\_  
*Member Name Employer Name.*

and is a member in good standing.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Teamsters Local 623 Secretary Treasurer*



**William J. Cooke Memorial Scholarship**

Born and raised in Philadelphia, Bill served in the United States Air Force and enjoyed a 32-year career as a Teamster. "Cooke" started at United Parcel Service as a pre-loader and retired as President and Business Agent for Teamsters Local 623. **A lifelong fighter for Philadelphia's working class, this scholarship fund remembers his name and legacy.**