



# Nebraska State Literacy Association

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February 1, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

The Nebraska State Literacy Association is awarding two (2) \$1000.00 scholarships. The deadline for the application is **March 31st, 2024**. Please encourage your applicants to meet the deadline, follow the guidelines, and provide all information requested to ensure eligibility for the scholarship. Please post this information and feel free to copy the rubric and announcement as needed. This information is also available online at <https://www.neliteracy.org/>.

Sincerely,

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The Nebraska State Literacy Association (NSLA) awards two (2) \$1000 scholarships at their annual conference in February of each year.

To be eligible, you must:

- be a **college junior, senior, or graduate student** enrolled **full-time** in a **teacher education program** at a **Nebraska** post-secondary institution.
- be a **resident** of the state of **Nebraska**.
- complete the NSLA Scholarship application online at: <https://shorturl.at/AFW02>.

Before beginning the online application, please prepare:

- A statement of three or more well-written paragraphs. Please tell us about yourself. This may include your goals, your future plans, and your need for assistance. Be sure this includes how you plan to use your college education towards the promotion of reading and literacy.
- A second statement of what you see as the most significant challenge ahead for literacy educators and how are you preparing (or, if already a certified teacher, how you are actively working) to meet this challenge.
- The name, title (if applicable), email, and phone number of two individuals willing to fill out a recommendation form on your behalf. The link for the Google form will be sent to your references by the Scholarship Committee Chair after you complete your application. They will not need to write a formal letter of recommendation, but will simply fill out a Google form. Please remind them to look for an email from NSLA with the form link.
  - One recommendation must be from a college/university instructor who has been a part of your teacher preparation program and
  - One recommendation must be from a community member (not related to you) who is aware of and can speak about your community activities.

We strongly suggest you review the [rubric](#) that will be used to score the applications to help you as you write your statements.

Applications will be time-stamped as they are received online. **The application will close on March 31st, 2024 at 11:59 pm. All recommendations must be completed by April 7th, 2024 at 11:59 pm.**

All questions should be sent to the NSLA Scholarship Committee Chair, Tricia Parker--[scholarship@neliteracy.org](mailto:scholarship@neliteracy.org).