



People of Action for Community Enrichment George D. Echols Community Service Memorial Scholarship 2025

April

The PACE George D. Echols Community Service Scholarship recognizes students who have made a positive impact in their schools or communities by demonstrating, exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship through service in the community as a volunteer. Applicants must be enrolled in high school and must be recommended for the award by a teacher, advisor or community leader. The recipient of this scholarship will receive a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship.

The application is available on the PACE website at: www.paceleecounty.org, sent to high school counselors at Auburn High, Loachapoka High, and Opelika High schools and provided to PACE members for distribution to local churches.

Students must apply before the deadline, which is **April 30, 2025**. In order for applications to be considered, **ALL** components requested in the application process must be followed:

REQUIRED APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- All materials received by the scholarship committee should be **received** on or before the deadline.
- Materials to be submitted include:
 - 1.) an official transcript (Listing GPA and Class Rank),
 - 2.) one neatly completed application form,
 - 3.) one letter of recommendation from a current instructor in an academic subject area,
 - 4.) one sealed letter of recommendation from an adult member of your community who can attest to your positive actions in the community. Letter must be on official letter head and include a signature, title, email address and physical address, and
 - 5.) a typed one-page essay.
- The essay must be typed to fit one page, double spaced, and should use a font no smaller than 12-points.
 - The essay should discuss the applicant's efforts to give back to the community as a leader and through participation in service activities.
 - The essay should also communicate to the scholarship committee why this scholarship is needed and how it will be used to meet the applicant's educational and career goals.
- Finalist should prepare for a 15-minute personal interview with judges if requested. Judges will ask each candidate the same questions, however; follow-up questions may vary depending on each candidate's response.

Patricia Echols, Committee Chairperson
George D. Echols Community Service Scholarship



George D. Echols Community Service Scholarship Application 2025

PACE GDE Scholarship
Committee Use Only
Candidate # _____

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home No. () _____ Cell No. () _____ Date of Birth _____

Parent/Guardian Names _____

Family Income Range (Check One) _____ (Below \$41,000) _____ (\$41,000 --- \$66,000) _____ (Above \$66,000)

Your Birth Order (1st, 2nd, _____) Number of family members in your household

Are you the first member of your family to attend college? (Circle: Yes No)

High School Currently Attending _____

Institution you plan to attend _____ Accepted? (Circle: Yes No)

If selected as a PACE George D. Echols Community Service scholarship winner, you agree to be available to take photos to be featured in local newspapers and or social media.

As an applicant for this scholarship, do you accept the above? (Circle: Yes No)

Your Signature _____ Date _____

Application must be **RECEIVED** on or before **April 30, 2025.**

PLEASE FOLLOW ALL GUIDELINES BELOW.

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete the PACE Scholarship Application (must be written in pen or typed) 2. Obtain an official transcript sealed in an envelope from your school counselor (transcript should include class rank and current GPA) 3. One sealed letter of recommendation from a current instructor (In an <u>academic</u> subject) 4. One sealed letter of recommendation from an adult member of your community who can attest to your positive actions in the community. Letter must be on official letter head and include a signature, title, email address and physical address. 5. A resume not exceeding one page that includes your extra-curricular activities, work experience, honors, and awards 6. A one-page essay which addresses the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Explain how you utilize your skills and experiences to serve as a leader within your school and community. b. Discuss how receiving this scholarship will benefit you. 	<p>All materials must be <u>submitted together</u> to the address below.</p> <p>PLEASE MAIL TO:</p> <p>PACE George D. Echols Community Service Scholarship Committee Attn: Patricia Echols, Chairperson P.O. Box 583 Auburn, AL 36831-0583 pacelecounty@gmail.com</p>
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