

The Schoharie County ARC Foundation Jean Emerson Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____
Address _____
Telephone _____ Email _____
High School _____
College _____ Field of Study _____

Work/Volunteer Experience

Employer	Job	Date of Employment
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(Please feel free to attach additional sheets if needed.)

Return to Schoharie County ARC Jean Emerson Scholarship Program, Schoharie County ARC,
P.O. Box 307, Schoharie County, NY 12157. Deadline is the first Friday in May.



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The Jean Emerson Scholarship provides financial assistance for higher education to Schoharie County residents enrolled in the human services fields.

Two scholarships of up to \$1,000 per academic year will be available annually to individuals who plan to pursue or continue their career in providing care, education or assistance to people with physical or mental disabilities.

Eligible candidates must be accepted into an accredited college or university or be presently enrolled in an accredited college or university. The scholarship will be prorated for students who are attending school part time. Recipients are eligible to reapply for the scholarship annually.

The Application Process

The completed application form must be accompanied by two letters of recommendation (one personal and one professional) and an essay of no more than 1,000 words stating your reasons for pursuing a career working with people who have physical or mental disabilities as well as your professional goals.

Deadline for Application

Applications must be received by the Schoharie County ARC by the first Friday in May. The address is on the application form.

Awarding of Funds

The Schoharie County ARC will award up to \$500 to scholarship recipients at the end of each successfully completed semester. (The scholarship will be prorated for students who are attending school part time.)

Recipients must submit the registrar's notification that they have successfully completed the semester to the Schoharie County ARC Foundation to receive funds.



Jean Emerson

The Jean Emerson Scholarship Award honors Jean Emerson and her outstanding and dedicated service to the Schoharie County ARC and the field of education.

Jean was a pioneer in the field of education and higher learning. During her career, Jean was chair of the Early Childhood Department at SUNY Cobleskill. Under her direction, SUNY Cobleskill developed one of the first successful Head Start Programs, which became a national model.

Jean often stated that the key to knowledge is in the pursuit of education. She was a fierce advocate for the human and civil rights of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

A member of the Schoharie County ARC Board of Directors from 1975 to 1993, Jean served as a active member on many committees. Jean also was a Board of Governor Representative for NYSARC, Inc. from 1982 to 1987, serving on a number of NYSARC committees as well.