Please read all instructions carefully, especially the Employee Supervisor Sign-Off Form included in this packet, to ensure the eligibility of the student for this scholarship before submitting the application. If you have any questions, contact Nini Krever, PSI Scholarship Chair, at (561) 762-7574 or nktraders@tradersintl.net.

1. One $5,000 Grand scholarship and additional scholarships (number to be determined) in the amount of $2,500 each will be awarded to high school seniors through the Paper Stock Industries (PSI) Chapter and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries (ISRI) Recycling Research Foundation.

2. Each scholarship is to aid a dependent of an individual employed by a CURRENT ACTIVE, CONSUMER, or ASSOCIATE MEMBER COMPANY of the PSI Chapter. The employee must work at one of the following: (1) the recycling division of the company, (2) at a mill consuming recycled material, (3) in a position at a recycling plant, or (4) in a position involved in the procurement, sale, or collection of material for recycling. Dependents of principals and owners are not eligible.

3. The applicant must have at least a C+ average in high school and meet all qualifications for admission to a regionally accredited two-year or four-year post-secondary institution or vocational education program.

4. The applicant may attend any institution as above of his or her choice; however, any charges over and above the amount of the scholarship will be the responsibility of the applicant.

5. Scholarship awards will be paid directly to the institution of choice, not to the student, so it is the recipient’s responsibility to keep the Scholarship Chair apprised of any changes to their plans.

6. The selection of the scholarship recipients shall be made by the PSI Chapter Scholarship Committee based on merit. Recipients will be notified by early summer 2024.

7. To ensure the applicant’s safety and privacy of his/her personal information, application information will not be disclosed or sold. The PSI Chapter has a records destruction policy for all submitted material.

8. Submissions will not be returned to the applicant. Please keep a copy for your files.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Print this document, complete pages 2 and 3 and send with all the required documents* collated (not stapled) in the order in the checklist below. Mail the complete packet to PSI Scholarship, PO Box 482, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

- completed Scholarship Application page (p. 2)
- signed Release Agreement and Employee Supervisor Sign-Off Form (p. 3)
- official transcript of all high school grades*
- SAT and/or ACT scores
- two (2) letters of recommendation*
- résumé of the individual’s personal history
- TWO essays of no longer than one typed 8.5x11 page each as follows:
  1. Imagine you have been invited to work for the summer in any division of the ISRI/PSI recycling company where your parent works. What area of the company would you choose to work at and why?
  2. Select ONE of the following two topics for the second essay:
     A. Pick a quote that describes a lot about you and explain why you connect with it. For this essay, choose a unique quotation. Try to stay away from individuals who are constantly quoted (e.g. Dr. Seuss, Martin Luther King, Jr.) and make 100% certain your quote is correctly attributed!
     B. Tell us the best advice you’ve ever gotten, who gave it to you, and whether or not you followed it. Don’t write a generic essay — find an example of advice that was specific and personal to you. Explain why it was so important and connect it to a specific example in which you did or did not follow it.

* If possible, please include any SEALED transcripts or letters of recommendation in the packet. If they are not given to you and are being sent by a third party, they should be mailed to PO Box 482, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

DEADLINE Applications must be postmarked on or before March 15, 2024 to be considered.

We suggest sending your application well ahead of the deadline in case there are any problems or missing pieces. Do not include this page with your application packet; keep for future reference.

Best of luck to all applicants. Thank you for your participation!
NOTE: Please put this as the FIRST PAGE of your application packet. Do not include the instructions page. To be eligible for consideration, applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2024.

LEGAL NAME (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)

Last Name ___________________________________________ First Name __________________________ Middle Name __________________________

Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____

STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Home Address ________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/ZIP ________________________________________________________________________________

Mobile Phone ( _______ ) _______________ E-Mail Address ________________________________

PSI MEMBER COMPANY INFORMATION

Company Name ________________________________________________________________________________

Recycling Division/Branch (if applicable) ________________________________________________________________________________

Division/Branch Address ________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/ZIP ________________________________________________________________________________

Name of parent or legal guardian employed by member company __________________________________________

Mobile Phone ( _______ ) _______________ E-Mail Address ________________________________

Employee position at company ________________________________________________________________

Is he/she a principal or owner of the member company?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE SUPERVISOR SIGN-OFF FORM (P. 3) WITH THE APPLICATION.

STUDENT INFORMATION

High School Name ________________________________________________________________________________

City/State ________________________________________________________________________________

Graduation Date _____/_____/_____ Unweighted GPA _________ SAT/ACT (where applicable) Total _________

Please list the college or university or vocational program that you plan to attend.

First Choice ________________________________________________________________________________ Tuition Due Date: _____/_____/_____

City/State ________________________________________________________________________________

Second Choice ________________________________________________________________________________ Tuition Due Date: _____/_____/_____

City/State ________________________________________________________________________________

Third Choice ________________________________________________________________________________ Tuition Due Date: _____/_____/_____

City/State ________________________________________________________________________________

Area of study (if known): ________________________________________________________________________________
I, ___________________________________________________________________________________, name of scholarship applicant if over 18 years of age or name of the parent if applicant is under 18, do hereby give and grant permission to the Recycling Research Foundation, Inc., the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. (ISRI), and the Paper Stock Industries Chapter of ISRI (PSI), the irrevocable right, permission, and license to publish, reproduce, distribute, and/or otherwise use (i) my/my child’s name, and (ii) any photographic image or likeness of me/my child in conjunction with the announcement of scholarship awards, promotion of the scholarship program, or other publication of information related to the scholarship program. I hereby waive all rights of inspection or approval with regard to any publication and/or use of my/my child’s name.

PSI Scholarship Employee Eligibility and Supervisor Sign-Off Form

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

The PSI scholarship is to aid a dependent of an individual employed by a CURRENT ACTIVE, CONSUMER, or ASSOCIATE MEMBER COMPANY OF THE PSI CHAPTER.* The applicant’s parent/guardian must have been employed at the company by March 15 of the previous year, one year prior to the application deadline.

The parent/guardian of a scholarship awardee must be employed at the member company at the time the student is notified of the award. It is the responsibility of the applicant to confirm that their parent/guardian is a current employee of a PSI/ISRI member company at the time the award is conferred. If employment status has changed since the student sent in the application, the student should notify the scholarship chair.

The employee must work at one of the following in order for their dependent child to be eligible:

• THE RECYCLING DIVISION OF THE COMPANY
• AT A MILL CONSUMING RECYCLED MATERIAL
• IN A POSITION THAT IS AT A RECYCLING PLANT
• IN A POSITION INVOLVED IN THE PROCUREMENT, SALE, OR COLLECTION OF MATERIAL FOR RECYCLING

*Dependents of principals and owners are not eligible.

The employee’s supervisor must sign the statement below confirming and describing the employee’s duties and responsibilities as related to the criteria above. Please print or type clearly.

Supervisor: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Company Name: ___________________________ Location: ___________________________

Department: ___________________________ Division: ___________________________

Employee: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Department: ___________________________ Division: ___________________________

Employee’s Location: _______________________________________________________

Employee’s Job Description: ___________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________

Supervisor’s Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: _______________