

Patrick Crowley Homeless Migrant Student Scholarship

Patrick Crowley dedicated over forty-five years to the education of migrant farmworker children and their families. He has been a teacher, migrant program coordinator, and assistant school superintendent. In each of these roles, Pat was a strong advocate for migrant farmworkers. Under his direction, the East Bloomfield Migrant Education Program was a leader throughout the state. The program provided services to a variety of ethnicities including a large population of Alonquin Indians who made the annual trek from northern Quebec, Canada, to East Bloomfield, New York, to work on area mink and chicken farms.

He was also one of the founders of the Working Together Group, of migrant education and support services agencies in Western New York State. Additionally, he has served as an alternate representative of the New York State Migrant Education Program to the Interstate Migrant Education Council (IMEC).

Pat was also a co-creator of the ESPERANZA Project, a statewide education program for homeless migrant students eligible through the federal McKinney-Vento Act. Hundreds of migrant students have garnered assistance through this service while in New York State.

Purpose/Eligibility: To recognize a high school senior with a history of migration to or within New York State who has been identified as homeless according to the McKinney-Vento guidelines at any time during his/her high school years with a \$500 post-secondary scholarship. The Weston T. Hyde, Oswego County Education Foundation (WTHOCEF) has agreed to administer this scholarship to offer financial assistance to migrant students who want to further their education.

Application Process: The following materials must be submitted by **May 15, 2025**. Failure to submit will result in disqualification.

- COMPLETED STUDENT INFORMATION FORM – Choose which way you would like to submit. Use the [online form](#) OR page 2 of this document.
- PROOF OF MIGRANT EDUCATION ELIGIBILITY – Request that your local Migrant Education office completes the form on page 3 verifying your eligibility presently, during the past three calendar years, or any time during high school. Submit the completed form with the rest of your scholarship materials.
- PROOF OF MCKINNEY-VENTO (Homeless) ELIGIBILITY – Please provide a letter from your local METS Director confirming McKinney-Vento eligibility.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT – Write an essay (250 – 500 words) about what being homeless has meant to you. *Choose* to submit using a file type of your choice **OR** by using the *Personal Statement Response Form*, starting on page 4 of this document (**recommended**).
- TWO (2) REFERENCE LETTERS – Please have a school representative (such as a counselor, teacher, migrant educator, coach, or other) write a letter addressing your educational commitment, grades, etc., and supporting the need for financial assistance. A reference letter may not be written by the applicant, anyone under 21 years of age, or anyone related to or serving as legal guardian for the applicant.
- PROOF OF ACCEPTANCE – Provide your proof of acceptance to a post-secondary degree or certificate granting institution.

How to Submit Your Materials: *Choose* email, fax, or mail.

- **EMAIL** Jennifer Verdugo: jennifer.verdugo@oneonta.edu
Files sent via email must follow the [NYS-MEP guidelines](#) for secure transfer of personal information.
- **FAX** with Attention to Jennifer Verdugo: 585-395-5731
- **MAIL** to Jennifer Verdugo | 39 Carrington Drive | Rochester, NY 14626

PLEASE HOLD all items and submit a complete package of the required materials all together.

2025 Student Information Form

Check the box/boxes next to the scholarship(s) for which you are applying.

- NYS Fruits of Labor Migrant Student Scholarship
- NYS Friends of Senator Jack Perry Migrant Scholarship
- NYS Pat Crowley Homeless Migrant Student Scholarship

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	Home Phone
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Address where you receive mail	City	State	Zip
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Name of parent(s) or legal guardian

Applicant's Date of Birth	Applicant's Email Address
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EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of high school that you presently attend or most recently attended

Date of high school graduation or GED/high school equivalency

Name of accredited public or private college, technical, or vocational school to which you are accepted

Anticipated date of graduation from post-secondary school

APPLICANT AGREES to the use of his/her name, photographs, and information contained in this application for educational, advertising, and promotional purposes of the scholarship(s) applied for and the NYS Migrant Education Program without further compensation or notification.

The information contained on this form and all accompanying materials are true and correct to the best of my knowledge as evidenced by my signature below.

Proof of Migrant Eligibility for NYS Migrant Student Scholarships

Student's Full Name	
Student's School District	
METS Director Name	
METS Director Phone/Email	
Student's Most Recent Qualifying Arrival Date (QAD)	
<p>Please check the box next to the scholarship(s) for which the student is applying.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Friends of Senator Jack Perry Migrant Scholarship</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Patrick Crowley Homeless Migrant Scholarship</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fruits of Labor Migrant Student Scholarship</p>	
<p>Please check one or both boxes below and then sign and write/type your METS.</p>	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> For JACK PERRY and PAT CROWLEY Scholarships</p> <p>By signing below, I confirm that the student named above is currently or was eligible for migrant education services during the past three calendar years or any time during high school.</p>	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> For FRUITS OF LABOR Scholarship</p> <p>By signing below, I confirm that the student named above is currently or was at one time eligible for the migrant education program.</p>	
METS Director Signature	
Name of METS	

Personal Statement: Response Form

Directions

For your convenience, this fillable-PDF document combines the personal statement essay questions for three scholarships into one *Personal Statement Response Form*.

Use this *Response Form* or use your own document(s), to write your Personal Statement essays when applying for one or more of the following scholarships:

- Friends of Senator Jack Perry Migrant Scholarship
- Patrick Crowley Homeless Migrant Student Scholarship
- Fruits of Labor Migrant Student Scholarship

Submit this single document with the rest of your scholarship materials according to the guidelines for each scholarship, completing Part 1 and any additional parts for the scholarship(s) you are applying for.

- **Part 1: *All students*** applying for any of the scholarships listed above must complete this section about your post-secondary educational plans and future goals.
- **Part 2:** If applying for the ***Friends of Senator Jack Perry Migrant Scholarship***, complete the additional information section regarding any financial challenges.
- **Part 3:** If you are applying for the ***Patrick Crowley Homeless Migrant Student Scholarship***, complete the additional information section about what being homeless has meant to you.
- **Part 4:** If you are applying for the ***Fruits of Labor Migrant Student Scholarship***, complete the additional information section about an accomplishment of which you are proud.

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Name: _____

Date: _____

ALL STUDENTS: Please complete Part 1 - Educational Plans and Future Goals

Write an essay (250 – 500 words) about your post-secondary educational plans and future goals. Please share the steps you need to take to achieve your goals.

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Extra space to continue your response to "Part 1: Educational Plans and Future Goals," if needed.

Part 2: ONLY for applicants of Friends of Senator Jack Perry Migrant Scholarship - Additional Information:

- Please indicate any financial challenges you are facing.

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Part 3: ONLY for applicants of Patrick Crowley Homeless Migrant Student Scholarship - Additional Information:

- Please write about what being homeless has meant to you.

Part 4: ONLY for applicants of Fruits of Labor Migrant Student Scholarship - Additional Information:

- Please write about an accomplishment of which you are proud.