# New Jersey State Nursing Association Region 6 Beulah Eglantine Miller Scholarship for Nursing Education

### **Policy on Granting Scholarship Awards**

#### **Purpose:**

To provide financial assistance to New Jersey State Nurses Association members and/or New Jersey Nursing Students in order to enhance and promote completion of an educational program/degree in Nursing.

### **Board Guidelines:**

- 1. Awards will be granted to nursing students enrolled in an Entry-level, RN-to BSN, MSN, or Doctorate program.
- 2. A nursing student may only receive an award one time per level of educational program.
- 3. The NJSNA Region 6 Treasurer will provide a financial report to the NJSNA Region 6 Executive Board. This report shall identify potential monies available for scholarship awards.
- 4. The NJSNA Region 6 Board of Directors will make a decision annually as to the number of scholarships and the amount of the awards taking into consideration the treasurer's report.
- 5. The Region 6 VP for Education and Scholarship shall serve as the Chairperson of the Region 6 Scholarship Committee. In addition to the chairperson, the NJSNA Region 6 Scholarship Committee will be composed of a minimum of two members of the NJSNA Region 6 Board of Directors. The President of NJSNA Region 6 shall act as an ex-officio member of the scholarship committee assisting with any policy questions that might arise.
- 6. It shall be the responsibility of the Scholarship Committee to review the applications and make determinations with regard to the recipients and amount of the individual awards.
- 7. In a case where a scholarship committee member is familiar with an applicant, the committee member will recuse themselves from making a decision on the specific applicant's application.
- 8. The Scholarship Committee will make its decision on or before April 15.
- 9. The scholarship recipients will be invited to the Annual Membership Meeting as the guest of Region 6.
- 10. Scholarship recipients are expected to engage in Region 6 activities. Suggested activities include participating on the Nominating or Scholarship committees, providing support to a county chairperson, or presenting a topic at an upcoming meeting.

## **Application Process:**

- 1. An application for the NJSNA Region 6 Scholarship will be available on the NJSNA website or may be obtained by contacting the NJSNA Region 6 VP for Education and Scholarship. Contact information will be available on the NJSNA website.
- 2. Applications must be produced via a word processing program and emailed to the NJSNA Region 6 VP for Education and Scholarship.
- 3. All applications must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by March 1 of each year in order to receive consideration.
- 4. Awarding of scholarships shall be made on the basis of grade point average and the quality of the application. Financial need may be considered should the need be documented, providing all other application requirements have been met.
- 5. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson shall notify all applicants via email as to whether an award has been granted, within one week of the decision of award recipients, and no later than April 15.
- 6. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson shall provide the Region 6 Treasurer with the Name, School Name, School Address, and Student ID #, of all applicants who have been awarded a scholarship, no later than April 15.
- 7. For each awarded applicant, the Region 6 Treasurer shall disburse the scholarship funds directly to the bursar of the school the awarded applicant is attending no later than April 30.
- 8. Scholarship awards will be celebrated at the Annual Membership Meeting.