

Walter J. Markham Award

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We are pleased to announce the Walter J. Markham Award commemorating a man who provided the leadership for significant growth and improvement of vocational technical education in Massachusetts. Most significantly, he provided the foresight and direction in the establishment of the Massachusetts regional vocational technical school delivery system. He served as Director of the Bureau for Vocational Education from 1954 until 1969 and as the first Associate Commissioner for Occupational Education from 1968 until 1970.

The Walter J. Markham Award recognizes a senior graduating from an approved Chapter 74 program who exhibits leadership, good school attendance, excellence in technical studies and excellence in academic achievement. Every Massachusetts school offering Chapter 74 programs is eligible to nominate one student.

The recipient of the Walter J. Markham Award will receive an appropriate plaque and a \$500 cash award to be used for the enhancement of employment opportunities through the purchase of tools, equipment or materials, or for the payment of educational tuition or other educational costs.

— See Note —

The completed award application form must be **received on or before Friday, February 9, 2018** by the Award Selection Committee at the following address:

Walter J. Markham Award Selection Committee
Attn: Debbie Major
Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School
207 Hart Street
Taunton, MA 02780

*To Ms. Dennis
By Friday
February 2nd*

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

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- Recipient: A graduating senior student from an approved Chapter 74 Program
- Award: A plaque and a \$500 cash award for the enhancement of employment opportunities through the purchase of tools, equipment or materials, or for the payment of education tuition or other educational costs. The recipient's school will also be recognized with a plaque.
- Criteria:
- Leadership in student or school activities.
 - Excellence in technical area of study.
 - Excellence in academic achievement.
- Funding Source: The Scholarship Fund was established by James A. Booth, the late Superintendent-Director of Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School. It is supplemented by the efforts of MVA & MAVA.
- Presentation: To be made by School District Representative.
- Selection: To be made by the joint MAVA/MVA Committee.

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STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____ S.S.# _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Father's Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name: _____

Director/Principal: _____

Technical Program Major: _____

Month/Year Entered Technical Program: _____

Month/Year Completing Technical Program: _____

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Director/Principal

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**PLEASE LIMIT EACH RESPONSE TO A MAXIMUM OF ONE TYPEWRITTEN
DOUBLE-SPACED PAGE.**

1. List and describe leadership roles in school and community activities. List all elected and appointed positions held.
2. List and describe any award or recognition you have received which indicates your excellence and mastery of your academic or technical program.
3. Select a project or work experience which was most interesting and most important to you. Describe your involvement and how you were able to utilize your academic and technical skills to accomplish this.
4. Describe what you have discovered about any two of the following:
 - a) learning new skills
 - b) teamwork
 - c) problem solving
 - d) use of tools and equipment
 - e) quality of work and/or craftsmanship.
5. Describe specifically your most significant educational accomplishment.
6. Describe what factors, people, or events you feel have influenced your successful technical school accomplishments.

SCHOOL RECOMMENDATION:

The Director/Principal should include a letter of support for this application.