

P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund (IPS)

General Information



I. SCHOLARSHIP GIFTS

A. Gifts – Local and State/Provincial/District (S/P/D) Chapters

1. Scholarship gifts from local chapters are remitted by treasurers of local chapters to treasurers of s/p/d chapters who remit such gifts monthly to the treasurer of International Chapter.
2. Gifts for the Partners in Peace Program must be received by the treasurer of your s/p/d no later than January 31 of the year in which the designated recipient is named.

B. Gifts from Individuals

1. Scholarship gifts from individuals are deductible (see exception under B-4) by donors for U.S. federal income, estate and gift tax purposes, if such gifts are made payable to either P.E.O. INTERNATIONAL PEACE SCHOLARSHIP FUND or P.E.O. FOUNDATION, with notation on check or in the accompanying letter “For IPS Fund.”
2. Direct gifts from **individual members** made out to P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund are sent directly to the treasurer at the P.E.O. Executive Office, 3700 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312-2899.
3. Sample forms for bequests are printed in ARTICLE XV of the Bylaws of International Chapter. Forms also may be secured from the P.E.O. Executive Office.
4. When deduction for scholarship gift is claimed by an individual, the U.S. Internal Revenue Code forbids the designation of recipients by donor.

C. Partners in Peace Program

1. A chapter may participate in the Partners in Peace Program with a gift of at least \$500.
2. This gift of at least \$500 must be accompanied by a Partners in Peace Form and must be received by your s/p/d treasurer by January 31. The form may be obtained from the P.E.O. Executive Office from your s/p/d IPS chair or downloaded from the P.E.O. International member website.

3. This gift is included in the amount of the scholarship awarded to the designated student by the board of trustees. It does not increase the student’s scholarship.
4. Partnering students are selected by the board of trustees after the award selection in April. A special effort is made by the board to select a student who is attending school near the donor’s locale. This is not always possible.
5. Individual donors cannot designate recipients (see B-4).

D. Named International Peace Scholarships

1. A Named International Peace Scholarship is a one-time scholarship presented to a top recipient through contributions from individuals, chapters or collected gifts.
2. Each scholarship will be in the same amount as the other P.E.O. International Peace Scholarships granted in that academic year.
3. The recipient is notified of the special named honor following her formal acceptance of the P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS – INDIVIDUAL AND CHAPTER

An individual or chapter having knowledge of a student who may qualify for an IPS award should be knowledgeable about requirements she must meet before directing the student to request application information from the P.E.O. Executive Office. After eligibility has been established, application forms and material will be made available to the prospective student through the IPS workflow.

III. PERSONAL COURTESY

A. Correspondence

1. Individuals or chapters, in addition to their generous contributions to the P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund, will find enjoyment in sending cards, emails and letters to students who are far from family and friends. However, a student’s study schedule may not always allow time for response.

2. It is hoped that after the students have returned to their own countries, individuals and chapters will continue their interest and correspond with them. The chair of the board of trustees would appreciate receiving current information concerning these students.

B. Hostesses

1. To see and experience American or Canadian home life is an important part of the student's education. Members and chapters who are near the schools in which the students are enrolled are encouraged to invite them into their homes.
2. An individual or chapter inviting a student to visit or present a program before a group should assist in travel arrangements and assume all expenses.

C. Monetary Gifts

Monetary gifts, including birthday and holiday gifts, should be kept to an incidental amount.

IV. PUBLICITY PERTAINING TO RECIPIENTS

Local chapters are encouraged to publicize their support for IPS students and share their accomplishments. However, the chapter must receive a signed copy of the P.E.O. Photograph and Publicity Consent Form from the media kit found on the P.E.O. International member website prior to sharing any personal, identifying information for their recipient on news media, P.E.O. websites or social media accounts.

V. PROGRAM MATERIAL

Each s/p/d IPS chair has resources which include program materials. The chair's name is in the Proceedings, which the local chapter president has in her files. IPS information is available in "Out of the Heart" and The P.E.O. Record. Material may be obtained from the P.E.O. Executive Office as well as the P.E.O. International member website, which contains a current IPS Recipient Listing plus other information. Members of the board of trustees do not have program material.