

# The Endless Mountain Primitive Outdoorsmen (EMPO)

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Historical Scholarship Program

*EMPO is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose includes educating, recreating, and preserving the customs and conditions of traditional weapons, crafts, and artisans of early America.*



### **Eligibility:**

1. Students must be pursuing a degree or certificate at an accredited institution of higher education (i.e. Junior College, Community College, Technical College, College, University or Trade School)
2. Students must be involved in school and/or community activities. (i.e. FFA, 4-H, Ecology Club, Scouting, Science Club, Student Council, Leo Club, Leadership Council, etc.)
3. Students must submit a 500-800 word essay on the history and culture of the early settlers and native people of our area during the colonial period. We are fortunate to live in an area that is steeped in history. Some subject examples might answer: the role the Susquehanna River played in the lives of the native people as well as the early settlers. Who were the early settlers and where did they come from? Why did they settle in a particular area? What historical events occurred in our area during this time period? These are just a few examples, the subject matter is only limited by the applicant's research. The essay should be engaging and exhibit enthusiasm for the subject.
4. A letter of recommendation must be attached to the application from a teacher, mentor or other community leader.
5. Applications must be submitted to the EMPO President Alan Superko Jr. at 241 Doolittle Hill Rd, Laceyville, PA 18623 - postmarked no later than May 1, 2021.

### **Award:**

If selected, the recipient will receive a one-time award of \$1,000. One award will be granted in 2021.

Selection will be made from all eligible applicants by the EMPO Scholarship Committee based on the most outstanding essay as determined by committee majority.

Winner will be announced on May 15<sup>th</sup>, winners will be notified by phone and mail.

### **Disbursement of funds:**

Disbursement will be made directly to the institute of higher education. EMPO will work with the student and the institute's financial aid officer to determine the most appropriate payee for the award.

Recipients have no obligation to EMPO.

All applicants agree to the decision as final.

Award is contingent on the student completing their senior year in good standing with both their school and their community and after successfully completing the first semester of higher

Questions about the scholarship or the application process should be directed to Dave Kupstas at 570-954-5361 or [empousinfo@gmail.com](mailto:empousinfo@gmail.com) using subject: *Scholarship Information 2021*

education. EMPO and the scholarship committee reserve the right to apply the award to subsequent scholarships if no suitable applications are received for 2021.

### ***Application and Checklist***

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Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_

Institute of Higher Learning \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Before mailing this application please check off the following:**

- I have completed the contact information above
- I have included a list of my relevant extracurricular activities
- I have listed my chosen Institute of Higher Learning
- I have enclosed my letter of reference
- I have enclosed my official, sealed transcripts
- I have enclosed my essay
- Return this application to the EMPO President Alan Superko Jr. at:

241 Doolittle Hill Rd, Laceyville, PA 18623 *postmarked no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.*