

Carl A. Bongiovanni Vo-Tech Scholarship – 2020
Helping Students in the Construction Trades



Carl A. Bongiovanni was a lifelong resident of Allegheny County, and continuously involved with his community in a number of capacities. He was the owner and president of Bon Tool Company, presently in Gibsonia, PA, from 1994 until his sudden passing on January 26, 2017.

Bon Tool Co. has been a family owned and run business for over 60 years, providing the highest quality tools to professional construction tradesmen. Carl's dedication to the business was matched by his lifelong belief that there is, and always will be, an urgent need to support the many young men and women who choose a career in the technical and labor trades. He was a founding committee member of the VICA/Skills USA's masonry competition.

The Carl A. Bongiovanni Scholarship was made possible by the outpouring of love and donations from his friends and family with the guidance and support of the Pittsburgh North Optimist Foundation (PNOF). The purpose of this scholarship is to provide an individual with funding assistance for continuing their education in the building/construction trades at a post-secondary institution. The scholarship is valued at \$2,000 per year, applied directly to the educational institution, for as long as the student is enrolled and in good standing in his or her program, with a maximum of three years.

The Trades: Individuals looking to further their education in one of the trades listed below are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Other construction related trades may be considered. **Carpentry, Construction Management, Construction trades (or similar program), Drywall/Lathing, Electrician, Horticulture, HVAC, Ironworking, Masonry, Plumbing, Welding**

Eligibility: The applicant must be a Pennsylvania resident who is looking to continue their education in a post-secondary institution in one of the trades noted above.

Scholarship Selection Process: A review board will evaluate all applications and finalists will be selected for an interview prior to the final selection process. The scholarship will be awarded during the PNOF's award ceremony or some other relevant/function.

The Carl A. Bongiovanni Vo-Tech Scholarship Application

(please type or print clearly)

Part 1:

Personal Information:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Parent/Guardian (if under 18) _____

Educational Information:

High School _____

Career/Tech School _____

Director/Counselor _____

CTE Program Title _____ Instructor _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Technical Institution You Plan to Attend _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ State ____ Zip _____

Major/Program _____ Enrollment Date _____

Admission Status (check one): Applied ____ Pending ____ Admitted ____

Please attach a copy of your most recent transcript.

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Work Experience: List your most recent work experience first. Include unpaid “shadowing” experiences, internships, coop education/work experience, military or community service. Please attach any additional pages as needed.

Dates of Employment: _____

Business Name, Address, Phone, Contact: _____

Position & Brief Description of Duties:

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Part 2:

For the two questions below, please attach your response on one page.

Both questions may be answered on the same page – with a suggested 250 word maximum.

Question #1:

Please describe your involvement in career and technical student organizations, competitions and extra-curricular activities. You may include community service, church youth groups, volunteer work, and any awards or honors you have received.

Question #2:

What does your trade mean to you? What impact has it had on your life?

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Part 3:

Assurances/Signatures:

Please sign below to indicate your agreement with the following statements:

- I understand that I may be asked to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.
- My name and/or information may be included in articles, videos, conference materials, association websites, press releases, etc. regarding the scholarship.
- I understand that the scholarship is paid directly to the institution upon enrollment at the beginning of each year if I am a student in good standing. If I choose not to re-enroll, the funds will be forfeited.
- All information in this application package is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

(Required if student is under 18 years old at the time of signing)

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Email _____

*All applications must be submitted by **April 17, 2020** and mailed to:*

Bon Tool Company

Attention: John Bongiovanni

4430 Gibsonia, PA 15044

You may email your application and direct any questions to cjb@bontool.com

