The NEA-Retired Jack Kinnaman Memorial Scholarship was created in memory of Jack Kinnaman, vice president and former advisory council member of NEA-Retired. In addition, Jack represented NEA-Retired on The NEA Fund for Children and Public Education, and in numerous active and retired local, state, and national association positions. He is most fondly remembered as NEA’s Cat in the Hat. Jack cared about students, especially those who were financially impacted and needed a helping hand, and it is his family’s wish that the scholarships created in Jack’s honor go to such students. Scholarships of $2,500.00 will be awarded, and only students who are members of the NEA Aspiring Educator Program are eligible to apply.

Information about the NEA Student Program is available here: https://www.nea.org/about-nea/our-members/aspiring-educators

The Jack Kinnaman Memorial Scholarship application submission timeline is open from January 1 (first) to April 15. April 15 is the final deadline for emailed and overnight shipped applications, and it’s also the final postmark date for mailed applications. **All of the following scholarship application items must be submitted together in one package:**

- Completed Application Cover Page
- List of the NEA Student Program activities in which you participate at the local, state, and national level
- Personal essay of up to 200 words describing your NEA Student Program involvement on the local, state, and/or national level(s)
- Brief paragraph demonstrating financial need, with explanation on how this scholarship will help you complete your degree in teacher education
- Copy of your most recent transcript with a 2.5 or higher grade point average
- Two (2) letters of recommendation: one (1) from a faculty member or NEA Student Program advisor and one (1) from a non-relative

**Incomplete and/or late submissions will be disqualified.**

**Email:** RetiredAnnualMeeting@nea.org (This is the preferred method of submission)

**Mail:** National Education Association  
Attn: Jack Kinnaman Scholarship  
1201 16th Street, NW, Ste. 519  
Washington, DC 20036
If a paper copy of this form is used, the following must be clear, legible and easy to read, i.e., typewritten or printed.

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- Letter of Recommendation from one faculty member or NEA Aspiring Educator advisor
- Additional letter of Recommendation from a non-relative

This application is being submitted from January 1 through April 15 by email (preferred) to RetiredAnnualMeeting@nea.org; postmarked no later than April 15 (if sent via first class mail) or shipped overnight for receipt on this date.