**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Terry Thompson Memorial Scholarship for Soccer Official Development is open to any new Official age 15 or older or current NWOSOA Member who is a certified United States Soccer Federation (USSF) or Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Official.

This Scholarship may be awarded to current USSF Officials who desire to become an OSHAA Certified Official or current OSHAA Officials who desire to become a USSF Certified Official. The Scholarship will not be awarded for USSF or OSHAA certification upgrades.

This Scholarship will be reimbursement for initial certification training for the OSHAA or USSF. Reimbursement will cover the expense of your training course and your first year certification fee.

- Fifteen Scholarships will be awarded annually to qualified recipients.

Requirements

* Minimum Age 15 for USSF, OSHAA must have completed high school or GED and be at least 17 years of age.
* Any new Official who completes a minimum of 12 USSF game assignments in Northwest Ohio through a certified Assignor shall be reimbursed for the expense of the certification class upon completion of those game assignments.
* Any new Official who completes a minimum of 6 OSHAA game assignments in Northwest Ohio through a certified OSHAA Assignor shall be reimbursed for the expense of the certification class upon completion of those game assignments.
* Any current USSF Official who completes OHSAA Training and completes a minimum of 6 game assignments through a certified OSHAA Assignor shall be reimbursed for the expense of the certification class upon completion of those game assignments.
* Any current OSHAA Official who completes USSF Training and completes a minimum of 12 game assignments through a certified USSF Assignor shall be reimbursed for the expense of the certification class upon completion of those game assignments.
* Any current Official must be a NWOSOA member in good standing.
* The NWOSOA strives to meet a level of professionalism. With that, it is required that any applicant for the scholarship shall be required to have the minimum OHSAA/USSF Uniforms, whistle, watch that counts down, flags, uniform socks & black shoes. Minimum of 2 colors of shirts are needed. Please review www.ohsaa.org or www.ussoccer.com/referees for additional information.

- All applicants will receive notice of the final disposition of their applications as soon as practical after the selection process has been completed.

- Terry Thompson Memorial Scholarship for Soccer Official Development Scholarship may only be won once to any one individual.

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**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. A complete Application Form (see attached) and required information.
2. Attach a Photo – Head view from shoulder up
3. A typed essay in 500 words or less on the following topic:

***How would being a soccer Official benefit you personally, the community in which you live, and youth soccer players?***

Submit all documents to:

The Terry Thompson Memorial Scholarship for Soccer Official Development @

[**nwosoa@nwosoa.org**](mailto:karenraszka@bex.net)

Complete form, save as a doc and email

**Click on any gray area to type in your info. Save to your computer then attach to an email to send in.**

**Name:**      

First Last

**Mailing Address**:

***City:*** ***State*** ***Zip***

***Age:***

**Email Address:**

**Phone Number:**

**Complete these as applicable**

1. Soccer Referee Experience. Include license and date certified.

1. Soccer Playing Experience.

1. Community Activities (please include the years of involvement)

1. School Activities (please include the years of involvement)

1. Honors and Awards (please include the years of involvement)

1. Work Experience