



**SUFFOLK COUNTY
LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**



2024 CONTINUING EDUCATION AWARD

The SCLA Scholarship for Continuing Education is awarded to a Library Support Staff member, who is pursuing academic or career-related coursework that will enhance and contribute to their library duties, as well as benefit libraries. The scholarship is for current employees of a library or library system in Suffolk County with a minimum of three years of consecutive service in a library and a current membership in the Suffolk County Library Association (SCLA). Applicants must be a resident of Suffolk County and demonstrate a commitment to a career in libraries and dedication to library service. This award is NOT for library staff currently enrolled in an MLS program and/or MLS holding library staff who are pursuing postgraduate coursework.

Who May Apply?

Current employees of a library or library system in Suffolk County with a minimum of three years of consecutive service and a current membership in the Suffolk County Library Association (SCLA). Applicants must be pursuing academic or career-related coursework, be a resident of Suffolk County and demonstrate a commitment to a career in libraries and dedication to library service.

Who Not May Apply?

Previous recipients of the SCLA Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff may not apply again. Library staff pursuing postgraduate certifications. **If you are a student pursuing your master's degree in Library or Information Science please apply for [SCLA's Preparing New Librarians Scholarship](#).**

What is the application procedure?

Complete an application form using this link:
[2024 SCLA Continuing Education Scholarship](#)

Please note, you will be required to have 3 references and will need to submit an unofficial transcript showing your completed continuing education credits.

All applications, and supporting documents, are due NO LATER than midnight on September 1, 2024. Any applications or supporting documents received after this deadline will not be accepted.

Applicants will be notified regarding their status by October 14. Formal announcement of the award winner will be made at the SCLA Annual Fall Dinner Meeting in October.

The \$500 award is paid by check and is presented to the winner who will be a guest at the SCLA Annual Fall Dinner Meeting. The scholarship award, however, is not contingent upon attendance at the dinner.

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