

MCSS Conference Registration Scholarships for First Timers

Scholarship Information

What does a conference registration scholarship cover?

The scholarship covers the conference registration fee for the 2020 Annual Meeting in Traverse City, MI (**April 17-18, 2020**) and a one-year regular membership in MCSS.

It does **NOT** cover additional expenses. Attendees will need to pay for all additional expenses through their district or personal funds which will include:

- travel, lodging, and meals
- ticketed events such as tours or clinics
- substitute teacher to cover your class while you are attending the conference

Who may apply for a 2020 scholarship?

The intent of the scholarship is to enable K-12 social studies teachers to attend their first MCSS conference and learn about the opportunities the organization provides.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- first-time attendee at an MCSS conference
- full-time preK-12 school teacher who desires to attend the conference
- Be willing to assist at the 2021 MCSS Conference. This could include submitting a proposal to present at the conference, contribute an article/lesson plan to the *Michigan Council for the Social Studies Journal* +, **and/or** serving as a conference volunteer.

Priority will be given to applicants who:

- are in their first five years of teaching
- are working in a high-poverty school (Title I school)

Now that I know I qualify, how do I apply?

- Fill out the online [2020 MCSS First Timer Conference Scholarship Form](#)
- Tell us in detail how attending the MCSS Conference will support your teaching and benefit your students.
- Sign an agreement to assist at the 2021 conference
- Be sure to attach a current resume as a Word Document or PDF to the online form where indicated.
- Hit the submit button and you are done.

What is the deadline for application?

The deadline for scholarship application is **February 18, 2020**.

When will I find out if I received a scholarship?

You will receive an email indicating the status of your application by **March 18, 2020**. If you are awarded a scholarship, you will receive a special conference registration form for scholarship awardees. MCSS will not refund registration already paid by you or by your district if you receive a scholarship. The scholarship is intended for those teachers who do NOT have financial support for the registration.

Note: If your district has committed to fund your registration, please do NOT apply for a First Timer Scholarship.

Who should I contact if I have questions?

Contact the First Timer Scholarship co-coordinators:

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