

James A. Brennan Memorial Scholarship



The James A. Brennan Memorial Scholarship has been established by the Irish Cultural & Folk-Art Assoc. of WNY Inc. to honor past chairman, Jim Brennan. James Brennan immigrated from Limerick Ireland in the early 1960's and settled in western New York. He devoted untold hours of his spare time over the ensuing years of his life to sharing and preserving the cultural legacies and traditions of Ireland, mostly as the chairman of the Buffalo Feis.

One \$ 500 scholarship will be awarded to a Buffalo Feis Participant.

Eligibility Requirements:

Be a current student in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade levels.

Be a registered Irish Dancer with a CLRG school in the Mid-Atlantic or Eastern Canada Regions

The James A. Brennan Scholarship Essay

Please write an essay of no less than 250 words discussing the following points:

- 1. The ways in which you feel your exposure to Irish culture have had a positive influence upon you as a person.**
- 2. The most interesting things you feel that you have learned about the Irish culture that you did not know until your participation in competitions like the Buffalo Feis.**
- 3. The most important and/or enjoyable aspect of attending and competing in a feis.**

Essays are to be postmarked by May 15, 2023 to:
ICFAA (2023 Scholarship) 245 Abbott Rd. Buffalo. NY 14220

Essay must be:

- between 250 and 1000 words
- computer generated.

Scholarship Presentation: Opening Ceremony, Buffalo Feis, June 3, 2023.

Review and award decision will be handled by an independent committee.

James A. Brennan Memorial Scholarship Application

Student Name: (PRINT) _____

Address: _____

_____ Zip code _____

Phone (____) _____

Email: _____

High School: _____

Address: _____ zip _____

Grade Level _____

Essays become the property of the ICFAA and may be published.

Student Signature: _____ DATE _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ DATE _____