



FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

February 28, 2018

To the School Transportation Community:

The Cyr Foundation for Excellence in School Transportation is pleased to announce a ***Scholarship opportunity*** that will enable five (5) New York State school transportation professionals to attend their ***first*** New York School Transportation Annual Conference.

The ***NEW YORK SCHOOLS INSURANCE RECIPROCAL (NYSIR)*** will provide funding to support scholarships for five (5) school transportation professionals who have never attended a NYAPT/Cyr Foundation Annual Conference. Each \$1,000 scholarship will subsidize (1) full conference registration (including evening events), (2) three nights lodging at the Marriott for the Conference, and (3) one Active NYAPT Membership. Scholarship recipients are responsible for their own travel costs, and incidental costs during the conference.

To see if you qualify for a scholarship, please review the application information attached and complete and submit the application form provided before May 20, 2017. Selections of scholarship recipients will be announced not later than June 10, 2016, to allow for registration, travel and related plans.

The Cyr Foundation appreciates the generosity of the New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal and we encourage you to avail yourself of this wonderful learning opportunity!

Sincerely,

Thomas Weeks, West Seneca CSD
President, Cyr Foundation

Peter F. Mannella
Executive Director
Cyr Foundation



THANK YOU TO THE NEW YORK SCHOOLS INSURANCE RECIPROCAL!





NYSIR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PURPOSE

To provide financial support for school transportation professionals to attend the Annual School Transportation Conference convened by the Cyr Foundation and the New York Association for Pupil Transportation.

NYSIR has made a contribution to the Cyr Foundation for this purpose and Cyr will utilize these funds solely on behalf of eligible and qualified individuals selected pursuant to the application process.

SPECIFICS

The NYSIR Scholarship program will provide funds for the Annual Conference registration, lodging for three nights at the Annual Conference, an Active NYAPT membership, and one ticket to the Annual Banquet. There will be as many as 5 scholarships awarded with one in each of five regional areas of the state. The NYSIR funding does not cover the incidental and travel costs for the selected individuals.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the scholarship, an individual must be employed by a school district, BOCES, private contractor, Head Start, ARC or other education institution or agency in the supervision, administration or management of school transportation programs and services. Individuals who provide training as School Bus Driver Instructors or Article 19-A Examiners are also encouraged to apply.

It is the intent of this scholarship program to award at least one scholarship in each of the following regional break-downs of the State using NYAPT Chapters as the boundaries for each region:

<i>Region 1</i>	<i>Nassau County, Suffolk County, Lower Hudson</i>
<i>Region 2</i>	<i>Capital Area, Tri-County, Lake Champlain, Mid-Hudson</i>
<i>Region 3</i>	<i>Jeff-Lewis, Mohawk Region, Central NY, NYAPT North</i>
<i>Region 4</i>	<i>Southern Tier, RATSA, Wayne-Fingerlakes, Del-Chen-Ot</i>
<i>Region 5</i>	<i>Western NY, Chautauqua Co, Allegany Co, Cattaraugus Co, Steuben Co</i>

CRITERIA

- Scholarships will be provided to individuals who have not previously attended a New York (CYR/NYAPT) Annual School Transportation Conference;
- Applicants must describe some steps they are trying to take to promote safety and how this conference will assist their efforts;
- Applicants must describe why they want to attend this annual conference.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants must complete the attached application form (attach additional sheets if needed to complete your responses) and it must be received at the offices of the Cyr Foundation for Excellence in School Transportation before **May 25, 2018**. *No applications will be considered after that date.*

**MAIL TO:
CYR Foundation/NYSIR Scholarship
266 Hudson Avenue
Albany, NY 12210**

The Cyr Foundation Board of Directors will review all applications and decide which individuals will receive the scholarship awards for 2018.

NOTIFICATION

Successful applicants will be notified in writing ***not later than June 5, 2018***. Assistance will be provided in completing the registration process to take full advantage of the scholarship program.



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**APPLICATION FORM
NEW YORK STATE INSURANCE RECIPROCAL (NYSIR)
ANNUAL SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

NAME	
EMPLOYER	
ADDRESS	
CITY/STATE/ZIP	
PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS
NYAPT MEMBER: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO CHAPTER:	
HOW MANY SCHOOL BUSES IN YOUR FLEET? <input style="width:50px;" type="text"/>	

DISCUSS SOMETHING SPECIAL YOU ARE DOING TO PROMOTE SCHOOL BUS SAFETY THIS YEAR AND HOW THIS CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE WILL HELP YOUR EFFORTS (ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NEEDED) :

DISCUSS WHY YOU WANT TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE (ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NEEDED) :

OFFER ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WISH TO SHARE (ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NEEDED) :

YES THIS WOULD BE MY FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE (initial):

SIGNATURE:

DATE: / /

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