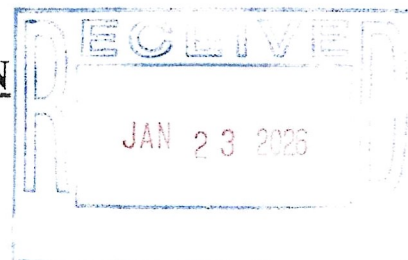


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DATE: January 20, 2026

TO: COAD Area High Schools and Vocational Schools
Area 2-Year and 4-Year Institutions of Higher Education
COAD Member Community Action Agencies

FROM: Allyssa Mefford, COAD Operations & Engagement Director, and David V. Stivison
Appalachian Community Action Scholarship Fund Administrator

SUBJECT: COAD David V. Stivison Appalachian Community Action Scholarship Fund

I am pleased to announce the availability of this scholarship fund for students in our 30-county service area who want to attend an institution of higher education, but lack the required resources to do so. The Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development (COAD) is offering this scholarship in collaboration with its member Community Action Agencies.

Enclosed is a copy of the application information and procedures along with an application form and the accompanying paperwork. Feel free to make additional copies of these materials as needed or you may download all relevant forms from our website. Please distribute this information to students who may qualify and need financial assistance.

The application deadline is May 1st. All applications and required paperwork must be submitted (postmarked) by this date to be considered. Applicants must submit all application forms and required documentation **to the Community Action Agency that serves the county in which the applicant resides**. Please note that sending applications directly to COAD will delay processing. I have included a listing of the seventeen COAD-member Community Action Agencies and the counties they serve with this mailing or you can find the information on our website.

If you have any questions about COAD, our member agencies, or this Appalachian community action scholarship opportunity, please use the information below to visit our website or contact us by email.

Thank you.