

# **Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education, Inc. (PBCOHE)**



## **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference**

**March 26-28, 2020**

**PBCOHE: A 50-Year Journey – Our Past, Our  
Present & Our Future in Higher Education**



**Sheraton Pittsburgh Hotel at Station Square  
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## **Pennsylvania Black Conference On Higher Education, Inc.**

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Greetings!

We cordially invite you to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education. The 2020 Annual Conference celebrates: "PBCOHE: A 50 Year Journey - Our Past, Our Present and Our Future in Higher Education." Join us, Thursday, March 26, 2020 through Saturday, March 28, 2020 at the Sheraton Pittsburgh Hotel at Station Square, 300 West Station Square Drive, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, 15219.

Fifty years ago, the late Honorable K. Leroy Irvis founded the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education to examine the impact of state and federal educational policies on persons of color in Pennsylvania and advocated for greater access for minority students, faculty and staff. The 50<sup>th</sup> theme, "PBCOHE: A 50 Year Journey - Our Past, Our Present and Our Future in Higher Education." will facilitate deep enriching conversations around the changing climate of Higher Education: funding, access, retention and success for African Americans and underrepresented groups.

Further, PBCOHE's 2020 conference will explore critical issues: How government and state policies influenced institutions of higher education in the past, present and future, what challenges are incoming college students and families facing because of policy? Moreover, what will PBCOHE's focus and strategies be in the coming years to assist members, stakeholders and partners to address these concerns? PBCOHE is seeking to learn from leaders, faculty, and staff and graduate students whose work examines forces currently shaping higher education. These works may include policies or research on anticipated policies, innovations involving recruitment, admission and retention efforts, advancements in technology and online learning, or national or local educational practices or programs, and how minority students might benefit from or be hindered by these policies, forces or changes in the coming years.

Since 1970, the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education (PBCOHE) has given tens of thousands of dollars in financial support to worthy students through its scholarship program. In addition, PBCOHE provides ongoing opportunities for minorities in higher education to pursue their professional, social, and personal development through the Student Leadership Development Institute and the Institute for Educational Management and Leadership. We are a not-for-profit, (501)(c)(3) organization and a Pennsylvania professional association whose purpose is to ensure that African Americans and other underrepresented groups have access to higher education in the Commonwealth.

PBCOHE's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual Conference will convene on the north shore in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Pittsburgh is home to 16 colleges and universities that play a vital role in educating the next generation of leaders, advancing the city's workforce development and generating breakthrough discoveries. This conference will provide attendees with a rich opportunity to explore the myriad of issues related to ensuring student success while creating bonds with educators from across the Commonwealth. Please join us as we celebrate fifty years of service, leadership and scholarship.

Sincerely,

Rachael Banks and Dr. Pricilla Robertson, 2020 Conference Co-Chairs



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## ORGANIZATION HISTORY

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The Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education was established in 1970 by the Honorable K. Leroy Irvis who was the Minority Leader and Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives at that time.

Since 1970, the organization has been examining the effect of state and federal educational policies on persons of color in Pennsylvania. In addition, PBCOHE has given thousands of dollars in financial support to worthy students through its scholarship program. Moreover, PBCOHE provides ongoing opportunities for minorities in higher education to pursue their professional, social, and personal development.

The Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education, Inc. (PBCOHE) is an organization made up of Black professionals from the public and private sector, education, business, social services, law, and government, who have a deep commitment to improving and ensuring the education of Black and Latino-American students.

In addition to advocating for policies and issues in higher education, PBCOHE provides support and professional development opportunities through its scholarship program, the Annual Conference, and the Journal of the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education, Inc.

## MISSION STATEMENT

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The mission of the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education (PBCOHE, INC.) is to provide programs and services which help ensure that the post-secondary educational needs and aspirations of Black African Americans in particular are met, and to work in concert with members of other under-represented groups in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

This mission is accomplished by fully utilizing our individual and collective talents and resources. We further achieve our mission through education, research, training, and publication.

In particular, the mission provides for:

- Advocacy on behalf of students, faculty, and staff needs and interests.
- Support of personal growth and development of its membership through educational programs, networking, training in human relations, and leadership skills.
- Review and analysis of legislation, rulings, and reports for the impact on Black African Americans and other under-represented groups in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- Support of the personal growth and development of students through the Black Active Student Intercollegiate Struggles (BASICS) arm of the PBCOHE.

PBCOHE shares with other organizations of the Commonwealth the mission of:

- Developing an educational environment that promotes and encourages desirable educational advancement for all people;
- Contributing to the efforts in the Commonwealth to recruit, retain, and graduate students by promoting quality programs, which encourage personal and academic achievement.
- Creating a climate that promotes and attracts students to post-secondary educational and graduate programs;
- Developing educational strategies to promote inter-group understanding within an increasingly diverse population in the Commonwealth; and
- Contributing to the common efforts to recruit, develop, and promote its faculty and staff, once hired.

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## PBCOHE 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tentative Conference Agenda (Subject to Change)

### Tuesday, March 24, 2020

4:00 p.m. Check-in: Institute for Educational and Management Leadership

### Wednesday, March 25, 2020

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Institute for Educational and Management Leadership

6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Conference Planning Committee Meeting

### Thursday, March 26, 2020

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Conference Registration

9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Community Service Project at CCAC K. Leroy Irvis Building with Pittsburgh Miller PK-5

*\*\*Students board bus at 9:15 a.m. at Miller\*\**

*\*\*Service Volunteers board Hotel Shuttle at 9:15 a.m. at Sheraton\*\**

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon Executive Council Meeting

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Opening Luncheon / Plenary Session

*Speaker: Wil Del Pilar, PhD – The Education Trust*

2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Concurrent Workshops Session I

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Workshops Session II

5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. *Participants Free Time*

6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. New Member Orientation for First-time Conference Attendees

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. President's Welcome Reception & Live Concert

*Musical Guest: The Steve Wellons Band*

9:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m. PBCOHE Hospitality Suite



## PBCOHE 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tentative Conference Agenda (continued)

### Friday, March 27, 2020

7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Think Tank Committee Meeting
7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	PBCOHE Business Meeting
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Conference Registration
10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent Workshop Session III
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Student's Scholarship Awards Luncheon <i>Musical Guest: Funky Fly Project</i>
2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Concurrent Workshops Session IV
3:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.	Town Hall Meeting <i>Moderator: State Representative Jordan Harris</i>
6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<i>Participants Free Time (Pre-Awards Dinner Preparations)</i>
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	Annual Awards Dinner
9:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Entertainment – C&R Sound (DJ)
10:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.	PBCOHE Hospitality Suite

### Saturday, March 28, 2020

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Closing Remarks/Regional Meetings
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Hotel Check-out/Lunch on your own

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## Location

Located in the heart of Station Square, Sheraton Pittsburgh Hotel at Station Square offers countless amenities and a new level of meeting accommodations that capture the essence of Pittsburgh. Guests experience not only spectacular river views, but professional, friendly services.

## Hotel Details

All guestrooms include a Sheraton Sweet Sleeper bed, refrigerator, flat-screen TV, and free high-speed internet access. The property has a fitness center, business center, indoor pool, and Sheraton Club Lounge. It also features an on-site, full service restaurant, bar, and café serving freshly brewed Starbucks coffee. The hotel is within walking distance of Station Square and various restaurants, entertainment venues, and shops.

## Room Reservation Process

To reserve your room by phone, please contact the hotel directly at (412) 261-2000 and reference the PA Black Conference on Higher Education group rate. To reserve your room online, please use the following link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1573146694873&key=GRP&app=resvlink>. A credit card is required to guarantee the reservation, and the **deadline to reserve a room at our group rate is 5:00 p.m. on February 22, 2020.**

The group rate for a double queen room or a king room is \$149 per night. Added to guest room rates will be applicable state and local tax, currently 14%. There is parking available in the Station Square parking garage (across the street), and the Station Square surface lot. Discounted parking will be available, but pricing is not available until January 2020.

## Check-in/Check-out

Check-in time is **4:00 p.m.** and checkout time is **noon**. Guests arriving prior to 4:00 p.m. will be accommodated as rooms become available. The front desk will arrange to check luggage for those guests arriving early when rooms are not available.



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“A 50 Year Journey – Our Past, Our Present & Our Future in Higher Education”

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Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Institution/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Business (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Class: Professional \_\_\_ Graduate Student \_\_\_ Presenter \_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION FEES: Full registration includes entry into all program sessions, conference materials, conference meals and the annual banquet. The appropriate fee must accompany the registration form.

All registrations include one year of PBCOHE membership.

**Early Bird Registration (Register by Jan 15, 2020)**

\_\_\_ Pre-registration – Professional/Grad Student \$300

\_\_\_ First-Time Attendee \$275

**Regular Registration (Register by February 22, 2020)**

\_\_\_ Registration - Professional/Grad Student \$350

\_\_\_ First-Time Attendee \$325

**Late Registration (Register after February 22, 2020 or On- Site)**

\_\_\_ Registration – Professional/Grad Student \$375

\_\_\_ First-Time Attendee \$350

**Event Rates ONLY (meals only)**

\_\_\_ Thursday Opening Luncheon \$50

\_\_\_ Friday Scholarship Luncheon \$50

\_\_\_ Friday Awards Banquet \$75

**Daily Rates ONLY (includes meals, materials and one-year membership)**

\_\_\_ Thursday \$150

\_\_\_ Friday \$175

**Presenters ONLY (includes meals, materials and one-year membership)**

\_\_\_ Thursday \$150

\_\_\_ Friday \$175

\_\_\_ Full Conference (First-Time Attendee) \$275

\_\_\_ Full Conference \$300

Make checks payable to: **PBCOHE, Inc.** and mail to:

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\*A surcharge of \$30 will be assessed for all returned checks.

Cancellation Policy:

Registration cancelled by January 15, 2020 – 100% refund

Registration cancelled by February 22, 2020 – 50% refund

No refunds can be made after February 22, 2020

Request for refunds must be made in writing to the Registration Chair

\*\* Conference registration serves as approval for the use of your image on all PBCOHE marketing materials.





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Theme: "PBCOHE: A 50 Year Journey – Our Past, Our Present &  
Our Future in Higher Education"  
Deadline: Friday, January 10, 2020

## Call for Presentation Proposals

PBCOHE was founded in 1970 by K. Leroy Irvis (Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives) with the mission to ensure that underrepresented minorities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania would have access to a quality education. While the main focus remains constant, different sub-themes and issues continue to be brought forth.

The annual conference theme for 2020, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of PBCOHE, "PBCOHE: A 50 Year Journey – Our Past, Our Present & Our Future in Higher Education" is meant to explore various transition points for education in general and post-secondary education in particular. This theme is inclusive of issues for administrators, faculty, staff, and students.

This year we want to focus on achievements over the past 50 years and what we need to do to move the education agenda forward and specifically the higher education agenda. Will the agenda be inclusive and who and what will the agenda target? How will the agenda benefit minorities and other underrepresented groups? What is expected of us in the academy to move the agenda? Can we move the agenda? Is this an evolution or a digression from the norm? Realistically, what is the norm?

We invite you to submit proposals to present at the conference addressing the theme. Some topics and sub-themes include:

- What is The Agenda?
- Who should be included in The Agenda?
- Is there a need to change the Agenda?
- The Current Agenda Disconnect - Affirmative Action/Diversity/Inclusion
- The Ethics of Inclusion in the Higher Education Agenda
- The Agenda - Higher Education and/or Public Schools
- Developmental Issues related to The Agenda
- A Sense of History about the Higher Education Agenda
- Diversity and/or Inclusion Campus Needs and Campus Climate to move The Agenda
- Best Practices in Higher Education
- The Agenda - Diversity/Inclusion/Affirmative Action on your Campus

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### Call for Proposals

This presentation is being submitted as a:

\_\_\_\_ Research Presentation - *a traditional workshop, the topic of which is the presenter's current or completed research on the conference theme*

\_\_\_\_ Best Practice/Skill Development Workshop - *a traditional format workshop of sharing insights and expertise designed to enhance knowledge and skills of attendees on the conference theme*

PROGRAM TITLE: (Maximum of 50 Characters and spaces)

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PROGRAM SYNOPSIS (FOR PUBLICATION IN THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM - 50 Word Maximum)

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## PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION:

Please include presentation learning outcomes, summary of information, best practice(s), research to be presented, presentation method (panel, lecture, large/small group discussion, demonstration, media), relevance to the conference theme, targeted audience and description of accompanying AV, materials or handouts. Please limit description to 150 words.

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## CONFIRMATION OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:

If this proposal is accepted I/we will attend the conference and pay the early registration fee. I/we understand that this program may be replaced if I/we do not register in the timeline prescribed.

Presenter(s) Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## AUDIO VISUAL INFORMATION:

Please indicate your audio-visual needs on this form. LCD projectors and laptops will be the responsibility of the presenter(s). **PLEASE INFORM US OF YOUR AUDIO-VISUAL NEEDS.**

Information about renting audio-visual equipment from the hotel is available upon request.

**NOTE:** Please provide all requested information on this proposal form. Please **do not use** "attachments" in lieu of a completed proposal form. *(The exception to attachments, if more than two people will be presenting.)* A "brief"/one page vita/resume for each presenter must be included. The vita/resume should include presenter's name, address, phone, e-mail, fax plus recent work experience, educational history, and professional contributions such as publications and/or presentations. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

## **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

Submit this completed Presentation Proposal form and a copy of each presenter's brief vitae/resume via email by Friday, January 10, 2020 to:

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ALL PRESENTERS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE  
\*\*\*All Proposals can be submitted for consideration in the PBCOHE Journal\*\*\*

Acceptance notices will be emailed/mailed by January 31, 2020



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Dear Colleague:

We request your financial support through the purchase of space in our program booklet for your personal, institutional, or business advertisement. Your contribution will help to support seven scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each which are awarded annually to talented undergraduate and graduate students in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Conference also awards two \$1000 scholarships to high school students who are planning to attend colleges or universities in Pennsylvania. We solicit your support and appreciate your kind contribution to help us provide needed financial support. Students from your school may be winners, so what better way to support than to contribute? Help ensure that you and your school or organization is represented among the supporting advertisers.

With much appreciation,

The PBCOHE 2020 Conference Planning Committee



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Ads may be submitted in one of the following formats: JPEG, TIF, PDF (Please embed all fonts)



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A Scholarship Note From

Dr. Brenda Sanders Dédé, Chairperson  
PBCOHE, Inc. Scholarship Committee

The Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education, Inc. will award seven (7) \$1,000 scholarships to talented undergraduate and graduate African Americans and other underrepresented students (persons of color) in the Commonwealth. We invite you to share the enclosed application with your students. **All completed applications are to be submitted to the address on the application on or before Friday, January 17, 2020.** (Electronic applications will be accepted.)

If any of the prospective applicants have questions, they are encouraged to contact me at their earliest convenience via e-mail at [bsdede48@gmail.com](mailto:bsdede48@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

*\*First semester freshmen students are NOT eligible.*

The scholarships will be awarded at the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference which will be held at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel, 300 West Station Square Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, March 26-28, 2020.

**SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS MUST ATTEND AT THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS LUNCHEON ON FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020 TO RECEIVE THEIR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.**

The scholarships and their respective criteria are herein listed:

## The K. Leroy Irvis Undergraduate Scholarship (3)

ONE of these \$1000 scholarships will be awarded in each of the regions (Eastern, Central & Western) in Pennsylvania to undergraduate students who meet these criteria.

- Outstanding Scholarship.
- Extracurricular activity participation.
- Leadership qualities.
- Interpersonal qualities as alluded to by the student's references.
- Essay in no more than **five typewritten, double-spaced pages** on "Why I Should Receive a K. Leroy Irvis Scholarship."
- 3.0 or above grade point average.
- Brief bio sketch and photograph (Photo for program booklet).

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## The W. Terrell Jones Educational Equity Scholarship (1)

ALL of the criteria listed under the K. Leroy Irvis Scholarship category and:

- Evidence of work and/or volunteer service in the area of educational equity.
- Essay in no more than five typewritten, double-spaced pages on “Why I should Receive the W. Terrell Jones Educational Equity Scholarship.”

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## The Robert D. Lynch Leadership Scholarship (1)

ALL of the criteria listed under the K. Leroy Irvis Scholarship category, with special emphasis on the student’s leadership skills and academic record, and:

- Must have attended the Robert D. Lynch Student Leadership Development Institute (SLDI).
- Essay in no more than five typewritten, double-spaced pages on “Why I should receive the Robert D. Lynch Leadership Scholarship.”

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## The Esther-Jafari Haymon Scholarship (1)

The successful recipient of this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Valid registration at a college or university in Pennsylvania with a **financial need**.
- **Grade Point Average of 2.0 and above**.
- Be at least in sophomore year of matriculation.
- Student must demonstrate leadership skills and participation in co-curricular activities.
- Three letters of recommendation are required. One of the three letters of recommendation MUST come **from your Financial Aid Office stipulating your need**.
- Essay in no more than five typewritten, double-spaced pages on “Why I Should Receive the Esther Jafari Haymon Scholarship.”

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## The John S. Shropshire Graduate Scholarship (1)

ALL of the criteria listed under the K. Leroy Irvis Scholarship category and:

- Earned six graduate credits/hours of study (minimum)
- Essay in no more than five typewritten, double-spaced pages on “Why I Should Receive the John S. Shropshire Graduate Scholarship.”

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Please place a check beside the scholarship for which you are applying.

- The K. Leroy Irvis PBCOHE Scholarship  
     Western Region (1)  
     Central Region (1)  
     Eastern Region (1)
- The John S. Shropshire Graduate Scholarship (1)
- The Robert D. Lynch Leadership Scholarship (1)
- The W. Terrell Jones Educational Equity Scholarship (1)
- The Esther-Jafari Haymon Scholarship (1)

This application should be accompanied by (application will be considered incomplete without the following):

Pages 1 and 2 of the Scholarship Application

ESSAY not to exceed five typewritten, double-spaced pages on "Why I Should Receive a (name of scholarship) PBCOHE Scholarship Award."

OFFICIAL college transcript (mailed in sealed envelope from your school Registrar).

**THREE** letters of recommendation. One letter **must** come from a college professor, but may also come from a counselor and/or any professional person who will discuss the candidate in relation to the following criteria: 1) Scholarship; 2) Interpersonal Skills; 3) Leadership; 4) Writing, speaking, computational skills; and 5) Any other observations about the candidate which may assist the Scholarship Committee in their evaluation of the candidate.

A brief bio sketch and photograph (for the scholarship publication).

**First semester freshman are NOT eligible to apply.**

***NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE UNLESS APPLICATION PAGES 1 AND 2, AN OFFICIAL UPDATED TRANSCRIPT, ESSAY, AND THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION ARE RECEIVED***





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### Personal Background Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ U.S. Citizen \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

### Educational Information:

Full Name of Institution you are currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address at school if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_  
Box #, Dorm

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Institution's PBCOHE Region in Pennsylvania: \_\_\_\_ Eastern \_\_\_\_ Central \_\_\_\_ Western

Please check present academic classification:

\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_ Graduate Grade Point Avg \_\_\_\_\_

County of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applications MUST be submitted on or before January 17, 2020**