



Region 3 – Young Professional Group Scholarship Opportunity

2019 Education Conference to Portland, Oregon

The Region 3 Young Professionals Leadership Group believes that the Annual International Education Conference provides an abundance of educational and networking value to all IRWA members. In addition, the 2020 Conference will be held in Region 3 (In Minnesota/Chapter 20) in 2020, so we will have additional volunteer needs at the 2019 Education Conference in Portland, Oregon.

The Region 3 Young Professionals Leadership Group will review all applications and offer two \$1,000 scholarships to interested individuals.

All scholarship money is to be used toward conference registration and/or travel and lodging costs. Reimbursement of the appropriate scholarship amount will be done once all requirements and documentation have been met. Receipts should be included.

To apply for one of these scholarships:

- Send a letter of interest to Mindy Leadholm, Region 3 Young Professionals Representative (<u>mindy.leadholm@co.washington.mn.us</u>). All letters of interest will be reviewed by our R3YP Leadership Group.
- Your letter of interest should include why you believe you deserve this scholarship, how you hope
 the conference will benefit you, and how you hope your attending the conference will benefit our
 Region. Include how you have participated within your Chapter and Region 3 in the past; and if you
 have attended a previous International Education Conference. Also, please note whether you have
 employer support (money and/or time) to attend the conference and if you are committed to
 attending the conference if you are awarded the scholarship. (Estimated total cost of conference
 registration, travel and lodging expense is \$2,000)
- Applications are due by Friday, February 1.

Key Dates:

- Scholarship Applications are due: Friday, February 1
- Scholarship Recipients will be notified by Friday, February 15
- Early Registration Deadline for the Conference: Friday, February 22
- Education Conference Dates: Saturday, June 8 Wednesday, June 12





Scholarship Recipient Requirements:

- Attend the Young Professionals Networking Event on Saturday, June 8
- Attend the Region 3 Caucus and Opening Ceremony on Sunday, June 9
- Attend a minimum of 6 Educational Breakout Sessions (Monday, June 10 Wednesday, June 12)
- Attend the SR/WA Recognition & Awards luncheon on Monday, June 10
- Attend the Plenary Session Speaker on Tuesday, June 11
- Volunteer at the Young Professional's Booth during at least one block of time

Optional Opportunities at the Educational Conference for Scholarship Recipients:

- Attend additional Educational Breakout Sessions (Monday, June 10 Wednesday, June 12)
- Volunteer at the Young Professional's Booth additional time.
- Volunteer at the 2020 Conference Booth and/or participate in additional volunteer opportunities requested by the hosting chapter
- Attend the Monday Night RWIEF fundraising event
- Attend the Board of Director's Meeting on Wednesday afternoon as an observer
- Attend the Wednesday Night Closing Reception and Gala Dinner

After the Conference - Documentation:

After the conference is over, we ask that you share with us your experience. You should include the following in your YP Report:

- What educational sessions did you attend? What did you learn? What were your takeaways?
- What did you volunteer for? What did you learn? Who did you meet as a volunteer?
- What was your overall impression of the conference? Have you attended before?
- Anything else you'd like to share what you learned, good things about conference, recommendations to make it better, etc.
- Feel free to be creative add photos, ideas, etc.

Your YP Report of the conference will be shared with the Region on our Region 3 website; and also shared with our Chapters to include on their websites and/or Chapter Newsletters.

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