

# 2024 UAW 2209 Essay Contest



The UAW Local 2209 Scholarship Essay Contest is open to all eligible dependent children (adopted & step-children are included) of UAW Local 2209 members in good standing who plan to attend, or are currently attending, an accredited college, university, technical, or trade school as a full time student, commencing with the Fall 2024 term.

Two scholarships of \$1,500 each will be awarded

## 2024 ESSAY TOPIC

Following defeats in 2014 and 2019 the UAW had a breakthrough victory in April when employees at the Volkswagen plant in Chattanooga Tennessee voted to join. Please discuss the following:

- Why has union organizing in the south been difficult?
- What are some strategies that companies use to deter their employees from organizing?
- What was different in 2024? Why did the Volkswagen workers finally vote to organize?

## Essay Guidelines

### ***All essays must adhere to the following guidelines:***

- Double-spaced, typewritten, 2-4 pages in length
- The Essay and cover sheet must be submitted to the union hall in person or by emailing to [holli.murphy@uaw2209.org](mailto:holli.murphy@uaw2209.org) AND [jim.peters@uaw2209.org](mailto:jim.peters@uaw2209.org) . Please put Scholarship in the Subject line. Entries must be received no later than 2:00PM on Friday, August 2, 2024
- Name, address, telephone and age
- Name and relationship to the UAW Local 2209 member
- Name and address of the school you plan to or currently attend
- Fill out and return cover sheet with essay

**Email questions, essay and cover to:** [holli.murphy@uaw2209.org](mailto:holli.murphy@uaw2209.org) AND [jim.peters@uaw2209.org](mailto:jim.peters@uaw2209.org)

**IMPORTANT:** Your name can **ONLY** be on the cover sheet. If it is found in the body of the essay, you will be disqualified.

# COVER SHEET

UAW Local 2209 Education Committee 2024 Scholarship Essay Contest

Application # \_\_\_\_\_

(Office Use Only)

Please Type or Print

\_\_\_\_\_  
First & Middle Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Age

The following information is required to determine your eligibility to compete under the rules of the UAW Local 2209 Scholarship Essay Contest:

School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

College credit hours accrued before 2024: \_\_\_\_\_

School you plan to attend in the fall of 2024: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted? Yes or Pending (Circle one please)

I hereby apply for the scholarship and agree to abide by the rules as published in this announcement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent (Local 2209 Member)

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GMIN #

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Address

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City, State, Zip

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Telephone

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Relationship to Applicant

Essay and cover sheet must be received at the Union Hall by 2:00PM on Friday, August 2, 2024  
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