

The International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) may annually award scholarships to students attending college or graduating high school seniors planning on attending college. The scholarship is named in memory of IBMA, USBC and PBA Halls of Fame journalist Chuck Pezzano.

Any or all of the funds may, or may not be distributed at the discretion of the committee and IBMA Board of Directors. Individual awards may not exceed \$5,000.00 per year. If there are any ties, money will be split. Winners will also receive a one-year complimentary membership in IBMA.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be interested in writing about bowling either as a volunteer, part- or full-time media.
- Maintain a minimum 3.0/4.0 GPA or equivalent
- Participate in the sport of bowling, although bowling skills are NOT a requisite
- Not have exceeded their 25th birthday during the calendar year of the award

The first step to apply is to fill out the online pre-application. Once this is received and the information you have provided meets the application qualifications as listed above, you will receive a full application to fill out and submit. Be sure to add operations@bowlingmedia.org to your address book for prompt delivery to your inbox (and not to your spam folder).

The full application must be accompanied by at least one reference letter and a short essay on the sport of bowling, not to exceed 500 words. Please DO NOT include stories, articles or press clippings that may have been written ABOUT you. Finalists will be asked to provide a copy of their school transcripts.

## Final applications must be submitted NO LATER THAN APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like more information, please contact Randy Gulley, IBMA Operations Manager, at **operations@bowlingmedia.org**. Use "PEZZANO SCHOLARSHIP" in the subject line.