

P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Collaboration with Cottey College

Local P.E.O. chapters have always been encouraged to share information about Cottey College with their STAR Scholarship applicants. In 2023, Cottey decided to take an exciting and proactive approach to encourage STAR Scholarship applicants to consider furthering their education at Cottey. We are thrilled to share details of this renewed collaboration between STAR and Cottey.

Cottey College has determined that STAR applicants, by nature of the application and sponsoring process, meet the college's admission standards. Consequently, Cottey is pleased to offer all STAR applicants direct admission plus a generous renewable scholarship.

Once a student submits her completed STAR Scholarship application, she will receive a mailing from P.E.O. with information about how to learn more about this generous offer from Cottey. Please note that P.E.O. will **not** share your applicant's contact information with Cottey; it is her decision to reach out and obtain more information using the instructions in the mailing. Whether or not she expresses an interest in Cottey will in no way affect her STAR Scholarship application.

The president of the sponsoring chapter will be notified via email when the mailing is sent to the applicant. However, chapters do **not** need to wait for their applicant to receive the mailing before helping her express an interest in learning more about Cottey College!

At any time during the STAR Scholarship application process, you can refer a student to Cottey via the "Refer a Student" form on the Cottey website at cottey.edu/peo/.

The first year of collaboration between STAR and Cottey was very successful, with three STAR Scholarship applicants committing to study at Cottey in the fall of 2024! These new Cottey Comets are from Iowa, Minnesota and Ohio.

Local chapter members can help support this collaboration by continuing to share their enthusiasm about Cottey College with their STAR Scholarship applicants and other young women in their lives. If your s/p/d has funds available to help prospective students visit Cottey, you might want to learn more about how to apply for those funds.

Questions about the direct admission and scholarship offer can be addressed to Cottey College at admit@cottey.edu.

Questions about the STAR Scholarship can be addressed to star@peodsm.org.

