

## The John G. Cole Memorial Scholarship in Journalism and Writing Fall Semester 2020

Lorain County Community College is proud to announce the availability of **The John G. Cole Memorial Scholarship in Journalism**. This scholarship is intended for full or part-time (at least six credit hours) Lorain County Community College or University Partnership students pursuing an educational program at LCCC and/or its University Partnership that will lead to a career in journalism and/or writing, including (but not limited to): print, broadcast and sports journalism; creative writing; communications (including marketing communications); public relations; and multimedia. Preference will be given to students who are involved in clubs or programs pertaining to journalism and/or writing on LCCC's campus such as "The Collegian," Duck Radio, The Society of Professional Journalists, or any future club/program pertaining to journalism and/or writing such as television broadcasting. However, students not involved in such clubs or programs should not hesitate to apply for this scholarship. The scholarship may be renewed as long as the student remains in good standing, meets the criteria and resubmits an application.

**Scholarship funds will cover tuition, required fees, special fees (i.e., lab), required textbooks, and the following supplies: notebooks, pens, study guides, and calculators. Funding excludes computers, iPads, tablets, smartphones, and other electronic equipment; transportation or personal expenses; room and board expenses; and loan fees. In the event no student is eligible for the scholarship, a portion of the scholarship may be awarded to a second year student who meets the criteria above and is interested in attending the College Media Advisers Conference or similar journalism conference. The award can be used for registration only. Any funds not expended must revert back to The John G. Cole Memorial Scholarship Fund in Journalism and Writing.**

**University Partnership Students:** You must attach your most recent transcripts and proof of enrollment in the UP Institution for the semester of the scholarship. LCCC students' status can be accessed by LCCC's Financial Services; therefore, they are exempt of having to show proof of enrollment and transcripts.

**To apply for this award, complete the application by June 30, 2020**

**Return your completed application to:  
FINANCIAL SERVICES CENTER, LC146  
LORAIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
1005 N ABBE ROAD, ELYRIA, OHIO 44035**

**Questions: Please call 440-365-5222 or 1-800-995-5222**

**Please complete the following:**

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	LCCC Student Number / UP School
Home Address (Street, Apartment Number)		City, State Zip	
Home Phone Number _____	E-mail address (if available) _____		
Name of High School Graduated from: _____		Year _____	High School GPA _____
Number of College Credits Earned: _____		What is your major? _____	

**Provide a brief profile of yourself, including your educational goals and career aspirations:**

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**Please list your previous/current volunteer, community service and/or extra-curricular activities.**

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**Why are you interested in Journalism or Writing? (Include another sheet if necessary)**

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**What Journalistic or Writing clubs or programs are you involved in on Campus? If you are a new student, which clubs and/or programs will you join?**

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**What other financial aid are you receiving this fall semester?**

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**Is there anything else you would like the Committee to know about you? (Include another sheet if necessary)**

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*I certify that I have truthfully completed all of the information required for receipt of this award. All information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission to LCCC to release information about my financial aid and academic record to the LCCC Foundation Office, Scholarship Donor and the Scholarship Selection Committee. In addition, I understand that if I am selected as a recipient of this award, I may be asked to participate in recognition or appreciation activities of the LCCC Foundation to help ensure continued support of the LCCC Foundation Scholarship Program.*

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Signature

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Date

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Scholarship Sponsored by:



This scholarship/award is made possible through the generosity of donors to the LCCC Foundation Scholarship Program. The LCCC Foundation supports Lorain County Community College by making possible scholarships and other program and technology enhancements that otherwise would not be possible. Individuals, businesses and organizations give generously to ensure scholarships are available to help needing and deserving students receive a college education at LCCC or its University Partnership. Their support is greatly appreciated.



## ***ABOUT JOHN COLE***

**The John G. Cole Memorial Scholarship in Journalism and Writing** will serve as a lasting tribute to the life of a remarkable and quintessential *newspaperman* – John G. Cole. John Cole was born in 1949 in Springfield, Ohio. His father was a ravenous reader who not only chronicled each book he read, but also rated each book on a scale of one to five. John followed in his father’s footsteps and was never far from his most recent stack of “must read” books.

John graduated with a bachelor’s degree from Denison University in 1971 and earned his master’s degree in journalism from Ohio State University in 1974. He began working as a reporter for The Lorain Journal in Lorain, Ohio that year and quickly rose to city editor, managing editor and then editor in 1979 when he was just 29 years old. A fiery editor, John was hard-charging, no-nonsense and had a razor-sharp wit. He was a tough-love teacher in the newsroom, always pushing his reporters and photographers to reach their full potential. Under his leadership, the paper won hundreds of awards, including finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in 1984.

John was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Cleveland Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists in 2003. He retired from The Morning Journal in 2008, but continued to write about local affairs for the Chronicle-Telegram in Elyria, Ohio after his retirement.

John was still at the top of his game to the end. He wrote his last column just five days before he died on February 3, 2011 – the column appeared in the Chronicle-Telegram a few days after his death. Posthumously, John received the Associated Press Society of Ohio Division III first place award for “Best Columnist 2010.”