

SELCO Scholarship to PLA



The PLA conference is the premier professional development event for public librarians, public library workers, trustees, Friends, library vendors and others with an interest in public libraries. Consider applying!

SELCO will offer five scholarships of up to \$1,500 to defray the costs of conference expenses for PLA 2010, March 24-27. This national conference, in Portland, Oregon, continues a quarter century tradition of excellence and serves as a one-stop shop for public library continuing education needs. PLA 2010 will offer learning tracks focused on significant topics and issues with over 150 different programs, vendor displays of the latest products, and the best networking opportunities available to the public library world. The SELCO PLA Scholarship will cover basic costs as estimated below.

Eligibility requirements and procedures

- Library staff employed in a SELCO public library, with preference given to library directors who have never attended PLA.
- One name per library.
- Receipts and vouchers for audit purposes.
- A letter from the local supervisor or library board authorizing absence and affirming continued coverage of local library service.
- Willingness to summarize conference highlights for posting to the *SELCO Librarian* Blog, <http://www.selco.info/display/TSL/The+SELCO+Librarian>, during or shortly following the conference.
- Submit email to Angie Taylor or complete the PLA conference web application form: <http://tinyurl.com/yhucn8p>.
- In the event there are more than five eligible scholarship applicants, five names will be drawn by lot.
- Deadline for consideration: **Thursday, December 3, 2009 at 12:00 Noon.**

SELCO PLA Scholarship Award

Early bird conference registration	\$250
Hotel accommodations Wed, Thurs, and Fri	\$550
Airfare	\$500
Incidental expenses: meals, surface transportation, etc.	<u>\$200</u>
SELCO contribution for basic conference expenses	\$1,500

PLA 2010 - Portland will provide a wonderful opportunity to learn new ideas, share success stories, hear best practices, and meet colleagues from across the country and around the world.