



February 2020

Dear Guidance Counselor/Scholarship Administrator:

The Marine Trades Association of New Jersey (MTA/NJ) is pleased to announce the availability of two Education Scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year. The MTA/NJ is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing, promoting and protecting the recreational marine industry and the waterways in the State of New Jersey. These scholarships are open to any student interested in pursuing a career in the recreational boating industry and meets the criteria outlined. The following is an overview of the scholarships:

- **Boating Industry Scholarship:** This \$1500 scholarship is for a graduating student who has a strong desire to succeed in a recreational boating industry vocational, technical or college program.
- **Automotive Training Center:** This is a half scholarship (\$9,562.50) for the Marine Service Technology Program at Automotive Training Center in Pennsylvania.

**Marine technicians continue to be in very high demand and there are many full-time year-round job opportunities available. A wide range of challenges and exciting hands-on careers already exist in the boating industry and this could be the perfect path for students in need of something different.**

Information about these scholarships, including an overview of the application process, the applications, and recommendation forms for the guidance counselor and other faculty are available online at [mtanj.org/scholarships](http://mtanj.org/scholarships). **Scholarship application due date is April 1, 2020.** Please forward these applications to any student that is interested in pursuing a successful and rewarding career in the boating industry. We have also enclosed a flyer that you can share with your students to help promote careers in the boating industry.

If you have any further questions about the scholarships or the application process, feel free to email: [mdanko@mtanj.org](mailto:mdanko@mtanj.org) or call (732) 292-1051. Thank you for the time and opportunity to provide one of your graduating students with these great scholarship opportunities.

Sincerely,

Melissa Danko  
Executive Director

# EXPLORE ALL THAT THE BOATING INDUSTRY HAS TO OFFER

Exciting Career Opportunities   Room for Growth & Advancement   Year-Round Employment & Benefits   Friendly, Scenic Environment

## A Career in Boating

There is something very special about being out on the water. It is a place where people can spend time with their friends and family enjoying nature, fishing, cruising, swimming, dining or water sports. Spending summers on the water and enjoying all that New Jersey has to offer is a way of life for residents and visitors. Boating is a pastime that becomes part of your very being - part of one's psyche. In New Jersey, there are 127 miles of coastline, hundreds of miles of bay-shore, many inland lakes and tributaries and 17 of 21 counties bordering on saltwater. All of these beautiful waterways and natural resources offer enriching opportunities for self-discovery. **More importantly, they also offer many wonderful opportunities for a rewarding and successful career!**



The New Jersey boating industry consists of many different types of businesses including marinas, boat builders, boat dealers, marine accessory retailers, boating publications and more. New Jersey has close to 500 marinas, boat builders, manufacturing facilities, and over 100 marine retailers. There are a wide range of exciting and challenging hands on careers available right now in the boating industry with many employers seeking to fill open positions right now. Average employment at most marine facilities is full time, year-round and includes comprehensive benefits packages. Benefits include vacation time, personal time, health insurance, retirement programs, and reimbursement for training expenses. **Marine Technicians are by far the highest in demand.**

*Plan now for your future in the boating industry and you will find a rewarding career and a lifelong learning experience!*

**Visit the Career Center  
at [MTA/NJ.org](http://MTA/NJ.org)  
for more information!**

## PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE IN THE MARINE INDUSTRY!

*There are many exciting opportunities available:*

TECHNICIAN  
MECHANIC  
PAINTER  
YARD HELP  
RIGGER  
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR  
SALES  
PARTS  
FIBERGLASS REPAIR  
OFFICE ADMINISTRATION  
ACCOUNTING



### Education Scholarships

*The MTA/NJ Foundation has awarded over \$25,000 in scholarships to students interested in furthering their education and pursuing a career in the marine trades industry.*

### MTA/NJ Boating Industry Scholarship

The MTA/NJ offers a Boating Industry Scholarship for a student entering a recreational marine industry vocational, technical or college program.

### Automotive Training Center Scholarship

The Automotive Training Center located in Warminster, PA offers a half scholarship to a student interested in attending their Marine Technician Program and/or Marine Service Technology Program.

### Technical Training Scholarship

The MTA/NJ provides technical training scholarships to support members with their training and certification needs.

### Outstanding Student Award

The MTA/NJ awards an Outstanding Student Award each year to a vocational student to use for tools of the trade.

### MTA/NJ Family Scholarship

The MTA/NJ Family Scholarship is offered to members and their children to further their education.

*To learn more about these scholarships, the boating industry and the Marine Trades Association of NJ, please visit [mtanj.org](http://mtanj.org).*