



LIMITLESS

STATEWIDE CONVENTION & AWARDS BANQUET

Thursday, May 28, 2026

Turf Valley Resort | Ellicott City, MD

With a Pre-Convention Self-Advocacy Summit on May 27th

The Arc Maryland 2026 Convention Self-Advocate Scholarship Fund Application

This scholarship fund is for the purpose of covering part of the Convention attendance fee of a person with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who has a financial need for assistance to attend, along with a Direct Caregiver. The Self-Advocate Summit is free to attend, and takes place on May 27th, the day before the Convention, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Turf Valley Resort in Ellicott City. Space is limited for the Self-Advocacy Summit and you must register to attend here. **The Arc Maryland Convention and Awards Banquet takes place on May 28th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Turf Valley Resort in Ellicott City.**

Application submission will not guarantee you a ticket to attend the Convention. Funding for scholarships is limited, and the application process will be needs-based.

If selected for a scholarship, self-advocates will still be required to pay \$50 to attend.

The maximum amount considered for each of the ticket options is:

Ticket Date(s)	Ticket Type	Paid by Applicant (You)	Paid by The Arc MD	Total Cost
May 27 th	Self-Advocate Summit-Only Pass	Free to attend	---	---
May 28 th	Self-Advocate Convention-Only Pass	\$50	\$80	\$130
May 27 th & 28 th	Self-Advocate Multi-Day Pass	\$50	\$80	\$130

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, please submit your application as soon as possible - scholarships will be awarded first-come, first-serve. **Convention Scholarship Applications are due by May 12th.** Applicants will be notified of their approval or rejection of scholarship funds by May 14th.

If you are approved for scholarship funds, you must notify us of your acceptance of the scholarship by May 18th, or your scholarship may be revoked.

Scholarship Applicant Information

First and Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Please let us know which statement applies to you:

I am completing this application for myself.

I am completing this application for someone else.

If you are completing the application for someone else, please complete the section below:

Your First and Last Name: _____

Your Relationship to the Applicant: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Do you (the applicant) have an intellectual and/or developmental disability?

Yes No

Are you (the applicant) associated with a chapter of The Arc?

Yes No

If you answered yes, which chapter are you associated with?

Have you attended our Convention before?

Yes No

Which event(s) do you plan to attend?

Self-Advocate Summit (May 27th; free to attend)

Statewide Convention & Awards Banquet (May 28th) Please note that if you are selected for a scholarship, a minimum \$50 fee will still be required to attend.

In a few words, tell us why you require the scholarship to attend the Convention?

Support Staff Information (If Needed)

Do you require additional scholarship funding to cover the partial cost of the ticket for a Support staff-person?

Yes

No

If you answered yes, please provide the following information:

Your Support Staff's First and Last Name: _____

Their Email: _____

Their Phone Number: _____

In a few words, please describe your needs that require your continuous assistance for them to attend and fully participate.

If selected for a scholarship, support staff will still be required to pay \$50 to attend.

The maximum amount considered for each of the ticket options is:

Ticket Date(s)	Ticket Type	Paid by Applicant (You)	Paid by The Arc MD	Total Cost
May 27 th	Support Staff Summit-Only Pass	Free to attend	---	---
May 28 th	Support Staff Convention-Only Pass	\$50	\$80	\$130
May 27 th & 28 th	Support Staff Multi-Day Pass	\$50	\$80	\$130

Submit Form

You can submit the form by email to Jackson DeCarlo at jdecarlo@thearcmd.org.

OR

You can submit the form by mail to:

The Arc Maryland, Attn: Convention Self-Advocate Scholarship Fund

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