



West Point Spouse's Club 2019 Scholarship Application

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

The Scholarship Committee of the West Point Spouses' Club welcomes your interest in applying for one of our academic scholarships to assist you in furthering your education, whether you are a high school senior applying to college for the first time, or someone who is interested in continuing his/her college or postgraduate education. To be eligible to receive a WPSC scholarship, either you or your parent must be a full member in good standing of the WPSC by January 1, 2019 or within 30 days of arrival at West Point, whichever is later.

Scholarship funds are intended to pay for tuition and fees, books, supplies, room and board, and other expenses for a degree, certificate or other professional programs at accredited institutions of higher learning.

High School Seniors: Please make sure to submit official high school transcripts as well as SAT and ACT scores with your application.

Member applicants: Please make sure to include official high school and or college transcripts as well as any relevant standardized test scores to include: SAT, ACT, MCAT, LCAT, GMAT etc.

It is **your responsibility** to ensure the accuracy and completeness of your application.

Incomplete applications will be disqualified. Applicants will **not** be notified if the application is incomplete. Letters of reference cannot be from any family members. Failure to follow these instructions will disqualify you. Applications may only be submitted electronically or by mail. Although not mandatory, electronic submissions are preferred. Transcripts and letters of reference must be included either in the same envelope or attached with the electronic submission. All written submissions should be neat and easily read.

Your completed application packet must be postmarked by **March 8, 2019** to:

**WPSC Scholarships
c/o Deborah Haley
P.O. Box 44
West Point, NY 10996**

To ensure fairness and impartiality, judging is done anonymously. Race, color, sex, national origin, or financial need will not influence the selection. The WPSC Scholarships Committee will notify scholarship winners. The scholarships will be awarded in May 2019.

If you have any questions, please contact me at scholarship@westpointspousesclub.org. Thank you for your interest. We wish you well with your future academic endeavors.

Sincerely,

Deborah Haley
WPSC Scholarship Committee Chair

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WPSC SCHOLARSHIP RULES/STUDENT CERTIFICATION

As an applicant, I state that:

1. The information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
2. The attached essay is solely my own work.
3. I am in good standing with the community and its laws.
4. If awarded a scholarship, I will provide proof of enrollment no later than September 27, 2019. I understand that if I fail to provide proof of enrollment, the scholarship funds will be returned to the WPSC for future scholarship applicants.

Furthermore, I fully understand that all monies awarded to me by the WPSC will be transferred to the next designated alternate in the event that I:

1. Dis-enroll from school during the 2019-2020 academic year.

I understand that I am applying for a scholarship offered by the WPSC. I certify that I am eligible to apply for the WPSC scholarship. If awarded a WPSC scholarship, I agree to abide by and fulfill all requirements pertaining thereto. I also understand that under authority of U.S. Title 10, Section 3012, and the enclosed personal information concerning me, as an applicant, will be maintained by the WPSC Scholarship Committee for administrative use and released only to the individuals needed to evaluate the application. The disclosure of the information is voluntary; however, failure to disclose all or part of the requested information may hinder proper evaluation of the application. I agree to accept as final the decision of the WPSC Scholarship Committee.

Signature _____ Date

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SCHOLARSHIP CATEGORIES

(Please check the category that describes your application status.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER OF WPSC

High Schools and Colleges Attended (list most recently attended first):

School Name	City, State/Country	Date Attended
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

For Continuing Education Applicants: What education or degree program will you use this scholarship program for?

Colleges, Universities or Professional Programs to which you have applied (place an asterisk after any schools that have already accepted you and include a copy of the acceptance letter):

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ACTIVITIES AND ESSAY

Please attach typed responses for each of the following areas:

1. IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, LIST ALL SCHOOL AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS. (e.g., art, athletics, band, church activities, clubs, community activities, community service, dramatics, school newspaper, scouting, student government, yearbook, etc.) Include the number of hours per month spent participating in these activities.

2. IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, LIST ALL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD AND AWARDS/HONORS EARNED DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS. Include the respective organizations and dates:

3. IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, LIST ALL EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS. INCLUDE ANY SELF-EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. Include the dates each position was held, a SHORT description of the position, and the number of hours worked per week.

4. LIST ALL HOBBIES/ INTERESTS THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN MENTIONED IN THE PREVIOUS RESPONSES. Describe the hobby and the length of time you have been involved with this activity.

5. ESSAY

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OF THE TWO ESSAY QUESTIONS LISTED BELOW. ANSWER THE QUESTION IN BETWEEN 150 TO 300 WORDS. DO NOT USE YOUR NAME IN THIS ESSAY.

Note: *Emphasize format, grammar, and creativity in writing your essay.*

1. What is the most important thing you do every day and how does it illustrate your character?

2. The "Cadet Prayer" famously touts "choose the harder right over the easier wrong." Describe a situation in which you employed this ideal.

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REFERENCES:

High School Applicants: Please attach two letters of reference from employers, teachers or other professionals you have known while in high school using the enclosed form.

WPSC Member Applicants: Please attach two letters of reference from employers or other professionals using the enclosed forms.

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LETTER OF REFERENCE

Applicant's Name: _____

To the Applicant: Please print or type your name on the line above before handing this form to your reference.

To the Reference: Please cite specific examples of achievements or characteristics of the scholarship applicant. You may include comments on initiative, attitude, integrity, intellectual curiosity, and any other information you feel pertinent. Please render your opinion on his or her potential. We appreciate your honesty and candor in your evaluation of the applicant. Thank you for your time and efforts. **To assist the committee during evaluation of each application and to maintain impartiality, please refer to the applicant in the third person only.** Please answer the following two questions:

How long have you known this applicant? _____

What is your relationship to the applicant? _____

EVALUATION: Your evaluation may be typed or written in the space provided below. You may also attach additional pages if necessary.

Signature _____

Date _____

Name (Printed): _____

Phone No. _____

****Please return this form to the applicant. Please also note that to be considered for one of the 2018 scholarships, the student's application must be submitted by March 8, 2019.****

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COUNSELOR'S STATEMENT

Name of Student:

To the Applicant: Please print or type your name above and hand this form to your advisor or counselor for completion. Include this with your completed application.

To the Counselor: Please provide the following information about the student named above and return this form (along with the student's official transcript) in a sealed envelope(s) to the student for submission to the scholarship committee. Must be postmarked by: **March 8, 2019**.

Dates of Attendance at this School:

Student's Overall Academic Grade Point Average:
(Overall academic weighted grade point average on a 100 point scale.)

This student ranks: in a class of students.

Student's Test Scores:

SAT Scores: Writing Math Critical Reading Total Score

ACT Scores: English Reading Math Science Composite

**Additional Test Scores:
Additional Comments (optional)**

Please provide this student with a transcript for enclosure with his/her application.

Counselor's Name:

School:

Signature: _____ Date:

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CHECKLIST FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

- _____ Either you or your parent is a member of the WPSC by January 1, 2019 or within 30 days of arrival at West Point, whichever is later.
- _____ Application responses complete and attached
- _____ Essay complete and attached (please **do not** include your name in this portion)
- _____ Two Letters of Reference
- _____ Counselors Statement

To make sure that the WPSC is doing a great job in reaching out to the community about our scholarship opportunity, would you mind telling us how you heard about this scholarship?

- ___ School Counselor
- ___ Advertisement
- ___ Other _____
- ___ Parents
- ___ Former recipient