



West Aurora Parent Organization Scholarship Application & Cover Sheet

This scholarship will be awarded to West Aurora High School graduating seniors who plan to attend a college, university, trade or vocational school. The number of scholarships to be awarded, as well as the amount of each scholarship, will be determined by the West Aurora PTSO.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. The applicant is to be a graduating senior or mid-year graduate at the time the scholarship is awarded in May.
2. The applicant, a parent or guardian must be a PTSO member for the current school year. If none are current members, applicants **must** submit a completed **PTSO membership form** and **dues** with their scholarship application. A membership form can be accessed from the PTSO page on West Aurora High School's website.
3. The applicant is to complete and return the scholarship application cover sheet and essay by **March 1, 2021**.
4. The applicant's cumulative GPA must be 2.5 or better to apply.
5. If a candidate who receives a West Aurora Parent Organization Scholarship also receives the honor of a full scholarship to his/her college, university, trade or vocational school of choice, the candidate will decline the West Aurora Parent Organization Scholarship so that another worthy graduating senior may receive it.

Submission Requirements:

The applicant must write an essay of 1,000 words or less double spaced in 12 pt. Times New Roman regarding his/her:

- Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- Community service or Work Experience
- Career objectives and future plans
- Influence from school activities provided by PTSO/PTO/PTA

Scholarship Application Evaluation:

1. A committee of District 129 PTSO/PTO/PTA members will evaluate each application.
2. The committee will evaluate the overall quality of each application based on the eligibility and submission requirements listed above.
3. To maintain anonymity in the selection process, the Scholarship Committee Chairperson will assign a special code number to each application and redact any names in the essay.
4. GPA and class rank will be used only in the event of a tie.

Applicant Information

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

****WAHS PTSO MEMBERSHIP STATUS****

___ I, MY PARENT, OR GUARDIAN AM A 2020-2021 WAHS PTSO MEMBER.

Name of Member _____

OR

___ MY WAHS PTSO COMPLETED MEMBERSHIP FORM & DUES ARE ATTACHED. \$10.00 FOR SINGLE MEMBERSHIP, \$15.00 for FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

To be completed by applicant's counselor:

GPA _____ CLASS RANK _____ / _____ Counselor _____

Attach the essay to this cover sheet and return it to your counselor on or before Monday, March 1, 2021.

For Scholarship Committee Use Only:

CODE # _____