

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW)
Lompoc-Vandenberg Branch
Scholarship Program

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change. AAUW supports efforts to increase the number of women in fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). This scholarship furthers these efforts.

Application Procedure

- 1) Application must be made on the attached form entitled: "AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN Lompoc-Vandenberg Branch Local Scholarship Application. Additional forms may be obtained from the scholarship committee.
- 2) The scholarship program is intended to assist a deserving **female graduate** of a Lompoc Unified School District public high school attend **an accredited four-year college or university**. *(Note: This scholarship does not apply to attendance at Allan Hancock College or other two-year colleges.)* A strong background in the fields of science and/or mathematics is desirable and will be considered as part of the award criteria.

- 3) Submit

*** the application,**

*** official high school transcript,**

***and other supporting documents** (such as a list of your activities)

to the committee on or before March 24, 2021.

If some of the required documents are not available, the applicant should submit the application to meet the above date and should inform the committee of the situation and submit the document(s) as soon as possible.

- 4) Documents and application should be submitted to the student's high school counselor.
- 5) Selection will be made in April with the presentation of the award in May.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The scholarship committee will solicit applications and will select a recipient in accordance with the procedures established in this prospectus.
2. Application for this scholarship does not prohibit or restrict application for any other scholarship. Acceptance of this scholarship does not prohibit the recipient from receiving other scholarships.

USE OF FUNDS

1. The use of funds will be for normal school expenses (tuition, fees, books, etc.) as the recipient may choose. Funds may not be used for living expenses or personal needs.
2. Funds will be controlled by the scholarship committee and administered through the school's financial aid office or equivalent. The school will dispense funds for specific needs. The scholarship committee will forward such amounts as are requested against the award to be credited for the recipient's use. The recipient must keep the scholarship committee informed of her student status in order to ensure nonforfeiture of awarded funds.
3. If the recipient elects to attend one accredited four-year college/university, then transfers to another accredited four-year college/university, funds will be transferred to the applicable school as requested by the recipient. Any interruption of studies of six (6) months or longer will result in discontinuation of funds unless approval has been obtained from the scholarship committee. *(Note: This scholarship does not apply to attendance at Allan Hancock College or other two-year colleges.)*

SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Selection of award recipient will be made by a majority vote of the scholarship committee. The President of the AAUW branch will be a permanent member of the scholarship committee. The selection by the committee is final and may not be appealed.

Selection will be considered on the following factors using a scale of one to ten, with ten being the highest:

- * High school courses taken and grades attained as verified by an official high school transcript. Emphasis will be placed on science and math courses.
- * Results of tests taken (SAT, ACT, etc.), as verified by transcripts or a copy of official test results. Emphasis will be placed on science and math test results.
- * Goals/aspirations, extracurricular activities, etc. Inclusion of science and math-

related goals, aspirations, and activities will be considered positively.

* Financial needs.

2. AAUW supports affirmative action, reproductive choice and equal educational opportunities. An applicant who indicates non-support for basic AAUW principles will not be considered.
3. The committee may personally interview applicants and/or request any additional information necessary to make the proper selection. Interview questions will include discussion of the applicant's position on AAUW principles (Public Policy Action Priorities). These priorities are described on the AAUW website. The applicant may request details from the committee.
4. In addition, an alternate will be selected in the event the nominee cannot or does not accept the award.
5. All information in the application and interview is confidential. The committee members may not disclose the ranking of selections for the award with the exception of the award winner.
6. A committee member may not vote on the selection of a nominee if that nominee is related by blood relationship, marriage or legal guardianship.
7. Each application will be considered individually and on its own merit as objectively as possible.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. The applicant must be a **female** Lompoc Unified School District public high school senior graduating in the year of application for the award.
2. The **accredited four-year college/university** selected by the applicant must have acknowledged willingness to accept the student. *(Note: This scholarship does not apply to attendance at Allan Hancock College or other two-year colleges.)*

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Local Scholarship Application

Name: _____
Address: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Phone Number: _____

Parents / Guardians

Name: _____
Occupation and Job Title: _____
Name: _____
Occupation and Job Title: _____

Number of Brothers and Sisters: _____
Ages: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

What are your favorite school subjects and why:

Attach a list of your school and community activities.

Include list of honors or awards received, and any special talents or achievements.

Do you work part-time? _____ How many hours weekly? _____
Describe your job:

Four-year school you plan to attend: _____

Describe briefly on another sheet of paper, your plans for college and future vocation or profession.

Total school budget for school year: _____

How do you plan to meet this budget? Be specific.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL ESSAY

On a separate page, or in the space below, write an autobiographical essay of about 250 words. You may relate any special circumstances the committee should know in order to better determine the granting of scholarships, such as your interests in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Include any interesting, unusual or goal-shaping incidents that have occurred during your lifetime. Include any special financial circumstances that may help us with our decision process. The autobiography should give insight into you as a person, your educational, vocational and general goals.