

2022 RACINE PTA COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in this year's Racine PTA Council Scholarship program. Scholarships amounts vary and are made possible through donations from local PTA units, the Racine PTA Council, private individuals, and corporations and organizations.

Please read the following rules:

- *All graduating seniors from a Racine Unified High School are eligible to apply.*
- *We encourage all eligible students to apply. Applicants are evaluated based on a range of factors, not just academic achievement. Judges do NOT see the student's class rank or GPA unless necessary because of a tie score.*
- *Applicants must be enrolled to attend an accredited college, university, or tech school in fall 2021. Scholarship checks are payable to the institution, not the student, and must be used during the winner's freshman year.*
- *All work on the scholarship application MUST be completed by you, the student.*
- *If you received a paper copy of this form, please find the PDF form online and fill it out electronically, then print it out when you are done. It is much easier for the judges to read and this allows everyone the same amount of space to respond to the questions. The form is available electronically from your school counselor, on your school's website, and on the RUSD website; you may also request one at the email below.*
- *Applications MUST be completed according to the instructions on the next page or they will not be eligible for judging.*
- ***All applications must be received no later than April 1, 2022.***
- *Applications may be mailed or hand-delivered to:*
Kathy Holley
PTA Council Scholarship Committee
620 Ohio Street
Racine, WI 53405
If delivering in person, please ring the doorbell and hand the application to someone at the home; do not just leave it in the mailbox. If there is no one at home, please return later.
- *Do NOT return the completed application to your school or counselor.*

Applications are read and scored by a panel of three judges. The application is anonymous—the judges do not see the cover sheet with the applicant's name, contact information, and GPA/class rank. After each judge scores the applications, the scores are compiled, applicants ranked, and recipients determined. The class rank and GPA are used only in case of a tie. Decisions of the judges are final.

Only the applicants selected to receive a scholarship will be notified, first with a phone call, then with a letter in the mail. Recipients will receive their check and a certificate at their school's award event.

Thank you for your interest. We hope you will apply soon! If you have any questions, please contact:

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Cover Sheet

(This form is designed as a PDF to make it easy to fill in electronically, then print for submission;
if that is not possible, please print legibly using black ink.)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

High School _____ Middle _____ Elementary _____

College/university/tech school you plan to attend: _____

Major area of study you want to pursue: _____

Academic achievement, as computed at the end of first semester, senior year:

Class rank: _____ out of _____. GPA: _____ (weighted) _____ (unweighted)

This application must be submitted according to the following instructions or it will NOT be considered. It is the responsibility of the APPLICANT to see that these instructions are followed. Please fill out the PDF version of the form electronically and then print it out for copying and submission. There should be 4 copies of each page. Assemble your application in this order:

- A. This completed cover sheet

- B. Completed form (three pages following this page) detailing your academic experience, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and work experience. You may not add any other pages to this application. We do not need a grade transcript.

- C. Personal essay: Attach a typed essay of 300–500 words on the following topic:
This past year has presented challenges unlike any other. How has the Covid-19 pandemic changed you, as a person and as a student? What lessons have you learned as a result of this? How has it prepared you for college and beyond?

Applicant's Signature

Date Completed

Academic Experience:

Please write a brief statement about your high school academic journey. Share your ups and downs, struggles and triumphs, goals and challenges. Consider how you have changed as a student from freshman to senior.

Future Plans:

Where do you plan to attend school and what will you study? How has your high school experience influenced that choice and prepared you?

List the 3 classes you have taken in high school that have had the biggest impact on you and briefly explain why:

1.

2.

3.

Extracurricular (school-associated) Activities:

List up to 5 extracurricular activities (associated with your high school) that you have been part of, the number of years, and details of your participation. Please do not list more; share only those you feel most strongly about. It's okay if you don't have 5; we are looking for commitment and engagement, not quantity.

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4.

5.

List up to 3 special honors, recognitions, or achievements (do not need to be school-related) you may have received:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Work Experience:

Please share dates and details of any employment you have had during your high school years. It does not need to be formal employment—yes, regular babysitting, mowing lawns, or shoveling snow counts.

Community/Volunteer Involvement (outside of school):

List up to 5 activities (not associated with your high school) that you have been part of, the number of years, and details of your participation. Please do not list more; share only those you feel most strongly about. It's okay if you don't have 5; we are looking for commitment and engagement, not quantity.

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Anything else?

Please share anything else you feel that the judges should know as we consider you as a scholarship recipient: unique challenges, financial needs, family situations, etc.

Thank you! Please print 4 copies of each of the pages you filled in AND YOUR ESSAY, then assemble, staple, and mail or deliver them to the address on the instruction page by April 1, 2022.