

Example Scholarship Essay Prompts

Financial Need

1. Essay (one page or less) on why you need and/or want this scholarship.
2. Essay required describing your need for financial assistance, worthiness for receiving this scholarship and what field you will pursue for further training.
3. Essay to be written on need, worthiness, and desire to receive this scholarship.

Character

1. Essay (250-300 words) nominating a fellow senior by describing his/her service to the high school without personal gain.
2. Essay describing your acts of good citizenship and patriotism.
3. Explain in less than 1000 words why you have chosen to volunteer your time with the organization(s) that you have and how your experience has changed your life.

Activities/Community Service

1. Reflecting on your personal experiences and/or circumstances, tell us something about yourself that distinguishes you as a potential scholarship candidate.
2. Essay about involvement in school, community services, outside activities and/or employment during high school years.
3. Essay about why you deserve the scholarship, how athletics have influenced your life, and list any circumstances (such as illness or injury) that may have prevented you from participating/lettering in any sport(s). Also, include the number of years you participated in each sport (even if you did not letter each year), the number of letters you earned and your laude score.
4. Short essay describing how his/her involvement in the music program at River Valley has affected his/her life.
5. Essay on what volunteer work you have done in the community and how your volunteer work improved the area.

Future Plans

1. Essay (200 words or less) answering the following question: "What is the role the arts play in your life now and in the future?"
2. Essay explaining what living in Arena has done to prepare you for your chosen future and what you plan to contribute to the Arena community upon completion of your studies.
3. Essay explaining future plans.
4. Essay on how this scholarship will help fulfill educational needs.

Related to Your Chosen Major

1. Write Essay; typed and double-spaced, not to exceed 300 words.
 - a. ESSAY TITLES:
 - i. for Health Careers – "The Importance of Health Careers Today."
 - ii. for Registered Nurse – "The Need For Trained Nurses Today."
 - iii. for all other Department Scholarships – "Education – An Investment In The Future"
2. Submit a 500 word essay explaining why soil and water conservation is important for agriculture sustainability.
3. Submit a 500 word essay describing your most memorable school-related experience or your reason for selecting education as your field of study.

Global Impact

1. Every generation faces new challenges and new problems. What do you think is the biggest difference between your generation and older generations? How do you think these differences will affect the future of our country and/or your career choice?
2. Write an essay (500-700 words in length) based on the subject: "Why I believe war is not the answer".