



Washington State Council of Fire Fighters Benevolent Fund 2024 Scholarship Application

Submission Deadline: March 15, 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School(s): _____ GPA: _____

School you plan to attend next year: _____

Intended major/program of study: _____

Terms of application:

Applicants who submit this form and meet the appropriate requirements agree to the following:

- I have read and signed the WSCFF Scholarship Policy.
- All applications and writing samples become the property of the WSCFF.
- I have completed the application myself and verify to the best of my abilities that the information contained in this application is accurate and correct. My parent or guardian has signed this application verifying the accuracy of the information contained herein.
- I agree to the terms and conditions of the WSCFF Scholarship Program as defined by the policy and the application. I authorize the WSCFF to verify all aspects of this application with my high school and/or my parent or guardian's employer.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date





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Items to include with your application:

A. Proof of association with the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters (WSCFF):

Enclose **a letter from a principal officer of your parent or guardian's affiliate local** confirming your parent or guardian is a member in good standing or was at the time of his/her retirement.

(A 'Certificate of Membership' from the WSCFF website does not fulfill this requirement; letter must be from a local officer – not a shift captain, chief, or department administrator.)

B. Signed WSCFF Scholarship Policy

C. Essay: It is the mission of the WSCFF to enhance the lives of union, fire and EMS personnel through leadership, education, and political action. **Discuss the impact that union membership has had on your family member's career.** Explore the ways in which the union has shaped their professional development, influenced working conditions, enhanced safety protocols, and contributed to overall job satisfaction within the fire service profession.

- Essays must be two full pages, size 12 Times New Roman font, and double spaced with one-inch margins.
- Essays will be graded on content, originality, grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

D. Two letters of recommendation:

Attach letters of reference from two of the following three sources:

Each letter is to consider character, ability, and citizenship.

- School (guidance counselor, faculty, or staff member)
- Organizational Leader (youth group coordinator, volunteer leader, etc.)
- Personal (employer, family friend, or other acquaintance)

E. Transcript(s)

- Enclose a complete transcript(s). If senior year grades are not on the transcript, attach a copy of your most recent class schedule and grades.
- To assist in the scoring process, you are encouraged to identify honor or advanced placement classes.

F. Proof of acceptance to a trade school, community college, or university

G. Activities Worksheet

Please complete the worksheet indicating the activities, sports, jobs, volunteering, or clubs you have been involved in during high school. Be specific about the year(s), the type, and the time commitment of each activity.

Please complete and sign this application and send it with all required attachments:

- Application packet must be postmarked by March 15, 2024. Please do not use staples and keep copies one sided.
- Applications postmarked after March 15, 2024, will not be considered.
- Incomplete application packets (those missing any of the above-listed enclosures) will not be considered.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the application packet – complete with all enclosures – has been received by the WSCFF office.
- Please mail your application packet in a full-size, flat envelope without any staples or clips to:
WSCFF Scholarships, 1069 Adams Street SE, Olympia, WA 98501



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EFFECTIVE DATE: November 10, 2016
APPROVED BY: WSCFF Executive Board

POLICY

The Washington State Council of Fire Fighters (WSCFF) Benevolent Fund offers scholarships based upon recommendations from the Scholarship Committee to the WSCFF Executive Board.

OPERATIONAL PLAN

An applicant must meet the following requirements to be considered:

- The scholarships will be made available to the dependents of current and past members of the WSCFF.
- The scholarships will be used for university, college, community college, or trade school expenses (i.e., tuition, books, etc.).
- Applicants must be a senior in high school and planning to attend an accredited university, college, community college, or trade school.
- **Applicants must personally complete the application packet.**
- **All scholarship application correspondence and communication will be directed to, and received from, the applicant.**

The selection committee will be comprised of three members of the WSCFF Executive Board and two members at large. All appointments will be made by the president.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By signing this, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Benevolent Fund Scholarship Policy and will abide by it.

Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____



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- Completed and signed application
- Community Service, Sports, Clubs & Activities Worksheet
- Essay
- Transcripts from all high schools attended (include senior year schedule and grades)
- Proof of acceptance to a university, community college or trade school
- Proof of affiliation to the WSCFF
- Two letters of recommendation
- Signed WSCFF Scholarship Policy
- One-sided, no staples

Incomplete application packets will not be considered for an award.