

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Academic Year 2024/2025

Realize your dream of taking education to a higher level by becoming one of our scholarship winners.

Application Submission Deadline: May 31, 2024

Please submit your application online at www.theofficialosg.org/scholarships





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The Off School Grounds Coalition, Inc. (OSG) College Scholarship Award is designed to provide financial assistance to high school seniors who have exhibited academic excellence, leadership potential, community involvement, and a strong commitment to pursuing higher education. It is an annual, merit-based scholarship that aims to alleviate the financial burden associated with college expenses. Two (2) Scholarship Recipients will be awarded **\$5,000** each to be used for tuition, room and board, and other college-related expenses. To be eligible, applicants must meet specific academic, leadership, community involvement, and enrollment criteria. The OSG college scholarship award is highly competitive, and only exceptional applicants will be considered. This initiative plays a vital role in promoting diversity and equity in higher education, ensuring that all students are afforded equal opportunities to pursue their academic and career goals. OSG values diversity and encourages applications from students of diverse backgrounds, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status.

The Off School Grounds Coalition's scholarship application is open to students applying for admission Fall 2024 / Spring 2025 semesters.

> Applications Available: March 15, 2024 Application Submission Deadline: May 31, 2024 Scholarship Recipient Notified By: June 15, 2024 Scholarship Disbursement: August 15, 2024

ELIGIBILITY:

In order to qualify for the OSG College Scholarship, high school applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Academic Excellence: Applicants must demonstrate exceptional academic achievement with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent and intend to continue their education at a four-year college or university.
- Leadership Potential: Applicants must exhibit strong leadership potential through participation in extracurricular activities, volunteer work, or other community service initiatives.
- Community Involvement: Applicants must have a demonstrated record of active participation in their community through engagement in social, civic, or cultural activities.
- Recommendation: Applicants must submit at least two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, or other professionals who can attest to their academic abilities, character, and potential for success.

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SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

The below documentation will be required upon submission of your application.

- Completed application form
- High school transcript indicating a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent
- At least two letters of recommendation from professionals who can attest to the applicant's academic abilities, character, and potential for success.
 - one must be from a guidance counselor;
 - □ the other from a teacher, school personnel, or a community organization representative.
- A personal statement (1200 words or less) <u>about yourself</u> (include things about your achievements, subjects and activities you enjoy and what you hope to accomplish in the future).
- Letter of acceptance or enrollment into to a four-year college or university for the upcoming academic year
- Guidance Counselor Fact Sheet
- Parental Consent Form (*must be submitted if under the age of 18*)

All required documents must be submitted by the application deadline. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

The recipients will be invited to attend a formal dinner celebration during the OSG Golf Classic, which is held on Sunday, June 30, 2024. This event not only funds the OSG scholarship programs but also provides an opportunity for the recipient to network with OSG supporters, including business and community leaders.

AWARD:

The OSG College Scholarship Award is a highly competitive, annual, merit-based scholarship program designed to alleviate the financial burden associated with college expenses. An award will be granted to two (2) recipients for \$5,000 each to be used for tuition, room and board, and other college-related expenses. The award is issued once in a lifetime and has no renewal. Award disbursed in August. OSG values diversity and encourages applications from students of diverse backgrounds, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status.

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OSG COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

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Date: _____

Name of Student:

First	Middle Initial	Last	
Home Address:			
Street		Apt. #	
City	State	Zip Code	

Telephone Number:	Student Date of Birth:	
E-mail:		
Name of School:		
Name of Guidance Counselor:		
Guidance Counselor Email:		
School Activities:		
Additional Activities / Organizations:		
School Offices Held:		

Honors Received:



Community Activities:

Special Talents and Interests:

Please tell us about any special activities (school and community service/projects) in which you participate (visual and/or performing arts, international, national or local activities, or activities that involve youth).

Your future plans:

I plan to attend

(College or University)

I plan to major in

You must submit a typed personal statement (1200 words or less) <u>about yourself</u> (include things about which you are proud, subjects and activities you enjoy and what you hope to accomplish in the future).

Please submit two letters of recommendation:

- one must be from a guidance counselor;
- the other from a teacher, school personnel, or a community organization representative.

Student's Signature: _____



OSG COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

Name of Applicant

Parent Name

PARENTAL CONSENT

This form must be signed if the applicant is under the age of 18 at the time of application. Applicants who are minors and do not provide parental consent will not be considered for the scholarship. By signing this form, parents or legal guardians grant permission for their child to apply for the scholarship and provide necessary information to the selection committee. Parents or legal guardians also acknowledge that they have reviewed the eligibility requirements and understand that meeting these requirements does not guarantee the award of the scholarship.

By signing the parental consent form for your child's application for the OSG College Scholarship Award, you acknowledge that you have read and understand the terms and conditions of the scholarship program.

You understand that the scholarship is a one-time award and is not renewable. You also understand that meeting the eligibility criteria does not guarantee that your child will receive the scholarship award.

You consent to the collection and use of your child's personal information, including but not limited to their name, address, and academic record, for the purposes of evaluating their application for the scholarship. You also understand that your child's personal information will be shared with the selection committee and other parties involved in the scholarship program.

You certify that all information provided on the application and any accompanying documents is accurate and truthful to the best of your knowledge. You understand that any false or misleading information may result in disqualification from the scholarship program.

You agree to release and hold harmless the Off School Grounds Coalition, Inc. "OSG", its officers, directors, employees, and agents from any and all claims, damages, or liabilities arising out of your child's participation in the scholarship program.

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read and understand this disclaimer and that you consent to your child's participation in the OSG College Scholarship Award program.

Parent Signature _	C	Date
Parent Email:	F	Phone:



GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S FACT SHEET

Name of Student_____ School Name _____

Please attach a copy of the student's transcript and complete the below or if necessary, an additional submission on your high school letterhead:

Class Rank ____/___ Un-weighted GPA _____

Please complete ALL sections of this document. Information that does not apply to this candidate should be marked N/A, not applicable.

Please verify the above information by affixing your handwritten signature to this document. This document MUST accompany the above-named student's application for The Off School Grounds Coalition, Inc. scholarship in order for the application to be considered complete. Should you wish to provide additional comments, please use the space provided below or include an additional submission on your high school letterhead.

COMMENTS: (Attach separate page as needed)

Counselor's Signature	Date
Counselor's Email:	Phone: