

OOSCCA ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP POLICY AND PROCEDURES

POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS:

1. The Offutt Officers' Spouses' Club Charitable Association, Inc. (OOSCCA) will award several academic scholarships to qualified high school senior applicants.

2. Scholarship Selection Panel will determine the award recipient based on current scholastic achievement, program of study/school enrollment, community service activities, and an essay.

- a. The Scholarship chairperson of the OOSC will chair the Scholarship Selection Panel.
- b. The panel may include but is not limited to: Community Representatives, School Representatives, Local Business Representatives, Enlisted Representative, and Officer Representative. The Chairperson for the OOSC may not vote.

2. The OOSCCA will send the scholarship award check before **September 1st, 2026**, directly to the accredited institution where the recipient's account is maintained. Recipients must use the scholarship money before **June 30, 2027**. Unused funds will revert to the OOSCCA. The OOSCCA will notify the accountable party when the check has been mailed to the college.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicants must be enrolled in a current college program for fall 2026. Applicants who are enrolled in community colleges or trade schools are also encouraged to apply.

2. All sponsors and applicants must live within 40 miles of Offutt Air Force Base (when not attending school out of the area) and meet one of the following qualifications for eligibility. Please choose one or more of the following.

Sponsor active duty

- Sponsor retired assigned to Offutt in some capacity
- Sponsor retired in the local area with no connections to Offutt
- Sponsor deceased while on active duty
- Sponsor employed at Offutt AFB in government service or as a contractor
- Sponsor or applicant is an Offutt AFB Thrift Shop Volunteer

3. Acceptance of a military academy appointment, any full scholarship*, or another OSC/NCOWC or EOSC scholarship, before or after selection as a recipient of an OOSCCA

Academic Scholarship, will automatically terminate consideration for entitlement to an OOSCCA scholarship. In such an event, that scholarship will be awarded to an alternate in order of merit.

* The OOSCCA policy defines a full scholarship as having a student's tuition, room, and board paid.

4. Children, wards, or spouses of any OOSCCA Selection Panel member are not eligible for a scholarship in the year that person serves.

5. Previous OOSC Scholarship Recipients will be considered if applying for the 18-24 category.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

1. Applicants must submit the following materials no later than **March 1, 2026**:

- a. Unofficial or official transcript from academic institution enrolled into for Fall 2026
- b. Completed legible application form and activity form
- c. A 300-500 word essay answering the following prompt. "In what ways has growing up as a military dependent influenced your views on leadership and community, and how will those experiences guide your future educational or career goals?"
- d. Incomplete or inaccurate applications will not be considered.

2. Your application and supporting documents must be submitted no later than **March 1, 2026**.

3. All submitted materials will become the property of the OOSCCA and will be retained for one full year from the date of selection. At the end of the year, all applications and supporting documents will be destroyed.

4. Direct any questions to Lindsay Andersen at: scholarshipsoosc@gmail.com

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