



SLHS PTSA Student Scholarship

Submit by January 31st, 2027 — NO EXCEPTIONS

Send your completed application via email to our Scholarship Chair, Gretchen Smith, at scholarships@sevenlakesptsa.org

The Seven Lakes High School PTSA is proud to support our graduating seniors as they take the next step, celebrating the hard work, dedication to service, community impact, and leadership qualities you've developed during your time as a Spartan.

Ready to apply? Please ensure you meet the following Application Requirements to be considered.

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior in **good standing*** at SLHS and must have attended SLHS for their entire junior and senior year.
2. Applicant and at least one parent/guardian must have **been members of the SLHS PTSA both the applicant's junior year and by January 31st of the applicant's senior year.**
3. The applicant is required to **submit two letters of recommendation**, one from each of the following categories:
 - a. Any SLHS faculty member or administrator
 - b. Any other adult selected by the student, as long as they are not related to the applicant (e.g., employer, coach, pastor, youth leader, etc.)

Note: Out of courtesy, applicant should provide at least two weeks' notice to those writing letters of recommendation for them. Only one letter of recommendation can come from SLHS faculty, staff or admin.
4. Applicant must **submit a resume of their activities**. This needs to be in either **Word or PDF format** and should cover their entire high school career and should be listed chronologically. Be sure to include the following:
 - a. Extracurricular activities (clubs, athletics, fine arts programs, music, scholastic competitions, student council, Spartans Out Serving, etc.)
 - b. Employment experience
 - c. Community impact (religious activities, service organizations, athletic clubs, etc.)
 - d. Any special recognition or awards received while participating in the above activities
 - e. Leadership positions and attributes

5. Applicant must submit a typed essay of 250 words or less that addresses **one** of the following prompts:
- a. **Overcoming Challenges Through Collaboration:** *Think of a challenge you faced during your high school years that required teamwork to overcome. How did you contribute to the group's success, and what did you learn about the power of collaboration?*
 - b. **Service That Made a Difference:** *Describe a service project or volunteer experience where you made a meaningful impact on others. Explain what motivated you to get involved, the challenges you faced, and how your actions improved your school or community.*
 - c. **Advocating for Every Child's Potential:** *The PTA mission emphasizes making every child's potential a reality. Describe a time when you advocated for someone who needed support—whether academically, socially, or personally. What motivated you to step in, and how did your actions help create a more inclusive or supportive environment?*

The fine print:

*** "GOOD STANDING" means the applicant has no current disciplinary issues (proof of which will be verified through SLHS administration)**

*** Applicants who receive a full-ride scholarship will not be eligible for the PTSA Scholarship. If a student initially awarded the PTSA Scholarship subsequently receives a full-ride scholarship, the PTSA Scholarship will be awarded to the next eligible candidate on the list.**

*** Scholarships are paid directly to the university, college, or technical school. (Please be aware that some schools may choose to split the scholarship between the Fall and Spring semester, a decision over which SLHS PTSA has no control.**

Student Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: January 31st – NO EXCEPTIONS All applications should be submitted to the
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Please type or print neatly in blue or black ink. The Parent information should be specific to the individuals who joined the PTSA

Student Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Full Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Parent Cell Phone: _____ Student Cell Phone: _____

Parent E-Mail Address: _____

Student E-Mail Address: _____

Colleges/Universities/Technical School Planning to Attend: _____

I have attended Seven Lakes High School for the following school years: (check all that apply)

_____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Application Checklist (ALL items are required – incomplete applications will not be considered)

- Student Scholarship Application (this form)
- Two Letters of Recommendation (see Guidelines for instructions)
- Resume (see Guidelines for instructions)
- 250 Word Essay responding to one of the outlined prompts: (see Guidelines for instructions)