



## **2016-2017 SOLDOTNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR INFORMATION AND CRITERIA**

A total of Three (3) \$4,000 High School Senior Scholarships will be awarded by the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce. A High School Senior Scholarship means the total amount (\$4,000) will be awarded in \$2,000 allotments; beginning in the first year and continuing for the second year if the student remains enrolled and maintains a 2.5 GPA. All scholarships must be claimed or deferred within 6 months of Award Letter Date. Award letters are mailed in May. Deferrals are good for one year. Before the one year deferral comes to an end, the scholarship recipient must contact the Chamber to request the first allotment. The second allotment will run congruently from the first year's payout. After the one year deferral, if no contact is made with the Chamber, the scholarship will be deemed forfeited. The Scholarship will ONLY be paid to the institution and awarded after proof of full-time registration is submitted to the Soldotna Chamber for the school year.\*

*\*Please see the Payments and Record-Keeping Section of the Rules for additional restrictions and requirements regarding distribution of funds.*

### **THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WILL BE USED TO AWARD THE SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- A minimum GPA of 2.5
- Student must be a permanent resident of the Kenai Peninsula at the time of application and graduating from a Soldotna area High School
- Preference *may be* given to students continuing their education for a major in business
- A personal interview *may be* conducted with qualifying applicants
- Preference *may be* given to students planning to return to Alaska, if leaving the state to pursue a post-secondary education.

### **STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT:**

1. A completed Soldotna Chamber Scholarship Application
2. A copy of your High School Transcript
3. At least one Letter of Recommendation from a teacher (*additional letters are welcome*)
4. At least one Letter of Recommendation from a member of the community (*not related to you*)
5. An Essay on the following topic: ***“What ambitions and future goals are you working toward beyond your education, and what are you doing to meet those goals?”***

## **Deadline: Friday, March 24, 2017 by 5:00 pm**

Applications must be turned into your high school counselor or the Soldotna Chamber Office

**Partial applications will not be considered.** Please submit all items together.



# Soldotna

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## 2016-2017 HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**This Form MUST be Filled Out**

### STUDENT INFORMATION:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Kenai Peninsula Residency (Years): \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### COLLEGE INFORMATION:

#### Name of College or Technical School You Plan to Attend:

1<sup>st</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Annual Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Annual Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Annual Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Planned Major and Minor in College or Technical School: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Siblings Attending College Currently: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Level of education you expect to complete:

Certificate  Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Ph.D.

Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTIVITIES AND HONORS:** *(if more space is needed, please attach additional paper)*

**A. School Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**B. Positions of Responsibility in School Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**C. Out-Of-School Activities & Interests:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**D. Positions of Responsibility in Out-Of-School Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**E. Awards and Honors:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**OUT-OF-SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT (SUMMER AND AFTER SCHOOL):**

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**TELL US WHY YOU THINK YOU SHOULD RECEIVE THIS SCHOLARSHIP?**

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**ACADEMIC DATA:**

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_  
SAT Critical Reading: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Math: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Writing: \_\_\_\_\_  
TWSE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
ACT Comp: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Counselor's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Remember - Please attach to this form, copies of:***

- A copy of your High School Transcript
- At least one Letter of Recommendation from a teacher (*additional letters are welcome*)
- At least one Letter of Recommendation from a member of the community (*not related to you*)
- Your Completed Essay

**If you have any questions, please contact the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce.**

**Thank you!**

**Soldotna**  
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