



2017-2018 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 23, 2018 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

2017-2018 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:

1st Choice _____ Estimated Annual Cost: _____

2nd Choice _____ Estimated Annual Cost: _____

3rd 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: _____

B. Positions of Responsibility in School Activities: _____

C. Out-Of-School Activities & Interests: _____

D. Positions of Responsibility in Out-Of-School Activities: _____

E. Awards and Honors: _____

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

TELL US WHY YOU THINK YOU SHOULD RECEIVE THIS SCHOLARSHIP?

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 Sara at the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce.

Thank you!



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