



EOCSC High School Class of 2017 Scholarship Application

General Information/Criteria:

1. The Ellsworth Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club (EOCSC) offers merit-based scholarships to graduating seniors who will begin undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university during the 2017-2018 academic school year.
2. Scholarships are awarded in accordance with the EOCSC Scholarship Committee Guidelines.
3. Selection criteria will include the following: academic achievement; standardized test scores; extracurricular activities (e.g. school and/or community athletics, volunteering, work experience, clubs, etc.); leadership roles; awards/honors; essay, and letters of recommendation.
4. The applicant is responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information and official documents.
5. The Scholarship Committee members and their dependents are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.
6. The Scholarship Committee invites individuals from the community to judge the essays. Judges and their dependents are not eligible to apply for the scholarship.
7. Awards are granted without regard to service member's military rank, or applicant's race, gender, age, ethnicity, religion, financial need, or disability.
8. Applications must be postmarked no later than, Wednesday, February 15, 2017. No other delivery method will be accepted (e.g. hand-delivered, e-mailed or faxed). Incomplete packets will be deemed ineligible. Please retain a copy of all documents as application packets will not be returned.
9. Applicants will be notified via email of the results.
10. Scholarship winners must agree to any publicity the EOCSC may want to use, including publication of photos, names, and award amounts.
11. Winners must sign an acceptance form following notification. Awardees should include a head and shoulders photograph of themselves, with their full name written on back. No other people in the photo please. This for publicity purposes only. Photos can be sent via digital media or in print (Note: photos will not be returned).
12. Please e-mail any questions to: EOCSCscholarships@gmail.com

Eligibility: Each applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior, who plans to use scholarship funds to attend an accredited college or university during the 2017-2018 academic school year for undergraduate studies.
2. Applicant must be the dependent child of one of the following:
 - a. Active duty U.S. military personnel assigned or attached to Ellsworth Air Force Base (AFB), who is entitled to a military dependent identification card. If the sponsor is due to PCS before the completion of the applicant's school year, the applicant must continue to reside in the Ellsworth AFB area to complete their senior year, or
 - b. Active duty Air National Guard or U.S. Reservist personnel assigned or attached to Ellsworth AFB as of the 2016-2017 school year, or
 - c. A retired U.S. military personnel who resides in the Ellsworth AFB area, utilizes Ellsworth AFB facilities, and is entitled to a military dependent identification card, or
 - d. Active duty U.S. military personnel serving in a remote assignment whose dependents reside in the Ellsworth AFB area, utilizes Ellsworth AFB facilities, and is entitled to a military dependent identification card, or
 - e. Civil Service working at Ellsworth AFB, who holds a valid government identification card, or
 - e. A deceased military member whose dependent resides in the Ellsworth AFB area, utilizes Ellsworth AFB facilities, and is entitled to a military dependent identification card.
3. Applicant must NOT be a family member of any EOCSC Scholarship committee member. EOCSC Scholarship Committee family members are not eligible.
4. Applicant must present a valid military dependent identification card to the Scholarship chair before scholarship is awarded.
5. Applicant must have 3.0 or higher cumulative grade point average (GPA) and plan to attend a college or university beginning in the 2017 fall semester.
6. Home-schooled applicants may apply and must supply credentials that are commensurate with the requirements listed in paragraphs 4) and 5) above.

Mail your application to EOCSC Scholarships, 2650 Spaatz Dr. Bldg. 3602, EAFB, SD 57706

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Limitations:

1. Scholarship funds are to be used within the 2017-2018 academic year.
2. All funds received shall be applied to tuition and/or associated university costs administered by an accredited college or university. These costs may include books, fees, room or board, but may not be used for penalties or disenrollment fees.
3. Payment of scholarship awards will be made directly to the student. The recipient *must* provide the Scholarship Committee with proof of registration by July 27, 2017, or the award will be considered unclaimed and will be awarded to an alternate applicant.
4. Students accepting a scholarship from another military officers'/enlisted spouses' organization become ineligible for this scholarship.

Scholarship Selection Committee

1. The Selection Committee will be composed of three impartial judges from the community involved in higher education; to be selected by the Scholarship Committee.
2. The scholarship selection committee will select the recipient(s) and an alternate based on essay, academics, employment, community/volunteer service, community/club activities, high school activities, awards/honors, and letters of recommendation.
3. All decisions will be final.

Application Instructions:

1. **Print legibly in black ink or type**, using only available spaces on this form. Do not use back of form. Do not attach a resume.
2. It is important that applicants provide any and all qualifying information in the application categories (Essay, Educational Data, Employment, Community/Volunteer Service, Community/Club Activities, High School Activities, Awards/Honors, and Letters of Recommendation). Scholarships are awarded based on total points. *If additional space is required, please make additional copies of data sheets as necessary to gain maximum points.*
3. Mail the completed application and any supporting documents to **EOCSC Scholarships, 2650 Spaatz Dr. Bldg. 3602, EAFB, SD 57706**. **Your complete packet must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, February 15, 2017.**

Application Completion:

This application becomes complete and valid only when all of the pages listed below are delivered. All materials must be submitted at the same time. Each page of the application must include the last four digits of the applicant's SSN. Copy only the pages indicated and attach. Do not staple but paper clip together in the following prescribed order:

- Personal Data Sheet
- The Educational, Employment, and Community Service Data Sheet(s)
- The Activities and Awards Data Sheet(s)
- The Essay written by the applicant on one of the following topics (select one):

How has being a military dependent affected the way you see the world and the role you will choose to play within it?

- Type essay on 8-1/2" x 11" white bond paper, double-spaced, 400-500 words in length. Place your SSN (Last 4 ONLY) in the upper right corner, and word count at the end of the essay. **DO NOT** use your name, school, position, or other identifiers in the essay.
 - Judging criteria will include: originality, mechanics, technical, vocabulary, organization, and overall impression of the essay.
- Official transcripts** supporting all educational data and documenting your cumulative GPA as of the end of the first semester of your senior year. (Note: Grade reports and copies of transcripts are not acceptable)
 - Certification Letter
 - If sponsor is retired, include a copy of official retirement orders.
 - If sponsor is serving in a remote assignment, include an official copy of sponsor's orders.
 - Letters of Recommendation: Please include two completed and signed letters of recommendation for this scholarship award. One letter must be written by a teacher or administrator from your school. The other letter must be written by an adult, who is not related to you, and who is involved with the activities in your community (e.g. church, employer, civic organizations, extra-curricular). Include the two **signed and sealed** envelopes and submit with your packet.

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The Application Evaluation Team will select the recipient based on:

1. Essay
2. Academics
3. Employment/Community Volunteer Service
4. Club School/Non-School Activities
5. Awards/Honors/Leadership Roles
6. Letters of Recommendation

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Privacy Act Statement
<p>AUTHORITY: 10 U.S.C., chapter 40; 37 U.S.C., chapter 9; EO 9397, November 1943</p> <p>PRINCIPLE PURPOSES: To facilitate award of scholarship funds to education centers.</p> <p>ROUTINE USES: Information may be disclosed to federal, state and local education institutions for the purpose of allocating awards to scholarship recipient accounts; and the EOCSC Scholarship Committee and subcommittees for accounting purposes.</p> <p>DISCLOSURE: Disclosure of the SSN is voluntary. However, this form will not be processed without your SSN since education institutions use your SSN as a student identifier for scholarship and accounting purposes.</p>

PERSONAL DATA SHEET

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION	
NAME (Last, First, Middle):	
Applicant's Social Security Number (SSN):	
Street Address:	Name of High School Currently Attending:
City/State:	Applicant's ID Card Expiration Date:
ZIP:	
Home Phone Number:	Other/Cell Phone (optional):
E-mail address:	
SPONSOR'S INFORMATION	
Sponsor's Eligibility Category: (Check One)	
Active Duty _____ Retired _____ Deceased _____ Remote Active Duty _____ AD Reservist _____ Civilian _____	
Sponsor's Name:	Rank/Grade & Branch of Service:
Sponsor's Organization:	Sponsor's Social Security Number (SSN):
Organization Address:	Duty Phone Number:
Current Mailing Address (if different from applicant):	E-mail Address:
Home Phone Number:	Sponsor's ID Card Expiration Date:

Applicant's Last 4 digits of SSN _____

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EDUCATIONAL DATA			
High schools attended grades 9-12 (Name, City, State)	GPA	Dates Attended From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr	

To be awarded points in the categories of Employment and/or Community/Volunteer Service, all information including the hours and dates of employment/volunteer service must be fully completed.

EMPLOYMENT DATA Grades 9-12. List most recent employment first. Include employment hours through February 2016.		
Job Description (Include Name, City, State as applicable)	Estimated Total Hours	Dates employed From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER SERVICE Grades 9-12. List volunteer work with service, religious, and other community organizations. Verification of service may be required. List most recent service first.			
Organization (Name, City, State)	Position/Title	Estimated Total Hours	Dates volunteered From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr

COMMUNITY CLUB/ACTIVITIES Grades 9-12. List non-school athletics, clubs or activities. Verification of participation may be required. List most recent first.			
Organization (Name, City, State)	Position/Title	Estimated Total Hours	Dates Participated From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr

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HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES List activity and place the descriptive symbol in the appropriate grade column					
C-Captain	P-President	T-Treasurer	M-Member	O- Please state position	
CC- Co-Captain	VP-Vice-President	S-Secretary	L-Letter		
Activity	12 TH	11 TH	10 TH	9 TH	Description & Est. Hrs
<i>e.g., School Musical</i>	<i>O</i>	<i>M</i>			<i>12th Lead role; 120 hr total</i>
<i>JV Football</i>			<i>CC</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>Center; 160 hr/year</i>
<i>National Honor Society</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>M</i>		<i>Honor Society; 1 hr/mo</i>

AWARDS/HONORS Grades 9-12. Begin with the most recent				
High school Award/Honor and Organization	Description of Award/Honor	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Grade
<i>e.g., Highest Honor Roll</i>	<i>Min GPA 3.5 required</i>	<i>GPA 3.9</i>	<i>GPA 3.6</i>	<i>12th</i>
<i>PTSA Reflections</i>	<i>1st Place in Literature</i>			<i>11th</i>
<i>District Science Fair</i>	<i>Honorable Mention</i>			<i>10th, 9th</i>

INTENDED AREA OF STUDY (Optional)	
Major:	Minor:
HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR: Please complete the following and attach complete official high school transcript.	
SAT Critical Read: Math: Writing:	ACT:
GPA: Grading Scale (circle): 10 PT 8 PT	Class Rank: _____ of _____
Number of Weighted/AP Courses:	
Counselor's Name:	Phone Number:
Counselor's Signature:	Date:

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CERTIFICATION LETTER

I further certify that, should I accept an Ellsworth Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club (EOCSC) Scholarship Award, I will abide by the following conditions:

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3. As a scholarship recipient, I must provide proof of registration for the 2017-2018 academic year to the scholarship committee **NLT July 27, 2017**.
4. I will have until July 27, 2017 to complete and sign a notice/acceptance of award at which time a check will be issued to me. In failing to do so, I will forfeit the award and it will, in turn, be awarded o an alternate applicant.
5. If I accept a scholarship from another military officers'/enlisted spouses' organization, I will be ineligible for this EOCSC scholarship.
6. I am a responsible citizen in good standing in the school and the community.
7. It is my responsibility to notify the EOCSC Scholarship Committee of any change of status (e.g., change of schools, change in address, etc). Failure to do so may result in the forfeiture of my scholarship award.
8. Unclaimed funds as of September 14, 2017, revert to the EOCSC Scholarship Fund.
9. If any of the above conditions are violated, scholarship funds must be returned to the EOCSC Scholarship Fund.

I agree that my signature on this form will authorize the EOCSC Scholarship Chair to release this application, including social security number, GPA, and transcript(s) to the Scholarship Committee, as needed.

I certify that all information in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and the essay is entirely my own effort.

APPLICANT'S NAME:

Printed _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

SPONSOR'S NAME:

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Signature _____ Date: _____

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**ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
RECOMMENDATION FORM**

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Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota
2017

Student's Name: _____

School: _____

To the person giving this recommendation:

Please rank the applicant on each of the items using the following scale (5=excellent and 1= poor)

Scholastic Achievement	1	2	3	4	5
Leadership	1	2	3	4	5
Community Service	1	2	3	4	5
Extracurricular Involvement	1	2	3	4	5
Overall Performance	1	2	3	4	5

This scholarship requires scholastic achievement, leadership, and outstanding performance. Please describe below how this applicant has demonstrated these three things. Please continue on attached school or personal letterhead.

Printed name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

****When you have completed this form, please place it in an envelope, seal it, sign your name across the seal, and return the envelope to the applicant.****

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