

# WRIGHT-PATTERSON OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB (WPOSC) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION For Academic Year 2025-2026

Application Deadline: not later than 11:59 pm EST on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Thank you for your interest in the WPOSC annual scholarship application. This scholarship has been awarded annually to assist service members' families in their educational pursuits.

## **Eligibility:**

Eligible applicants include dependent children and spouses of local currently serving active duty/Reserve/ Guard, retired, deceased, POW/MIA, or international military members. Both the applicant **and** service member must reside within 100 miles of Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The minimum GPA to apply is 3.0. Applicants will be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at an accredited college, university or technical school during the 2025-26 academic year with at least one full-time semester/quarter of credit hours remaining before graduation. Scholarship funds may be applied to tuition, fees, books, and room and board for students attending the 2025 fall and/or 2026 spring terms only. Students receiving a full-ride scholarship (including military service academy appointments) are not eligible for this award.

## **Requirements:**

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the completed application is submitted by the deadline. A complete application includes all of the required documents received by 11:59 pm EST February 28, 2025.

The following documents will be required as part of the scholarship application (see pg 2 for full details):

- Scholarship application
- Resume
- Essay
- Official Transcript
- Letter of Recommendation
- Military Service Verification
- Publicity Release

Applicants are encouraged to download the WPOSC scholarship PDF file, save it, and open it in Adobe for the best experience including adding digital signatures. An authentic "wet signature" or digital signature are both acceptable.

The applicant shall submit all documents in one email (or on the same day): scholarship application, resume, essay, military service verification, publicity release form. Transcript(s) and the letter of recommendation may be submitted by either the applicant **OR** sent directly from the source by email. All documents should be sent via email to: <a href="mailto:scholarship@wrightpattersonosc.org">scholarship@wrightpattersonosc.org</a> with the following information in the subject line: Scholarship Applicant: Last Name, First Name. Files should be sent as an unlocked PDF. Digital signatures are permitted. All documents must be received by the deadline.

**For more information**, please visit our website: http://wrightpattersonosc.org/scholarships.html or email scholarship@wrightpattersonosc.org.

## Instruction Checklist

# Applicants must submit all of the following information by 11:59 EST Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Item	Description	Points Value	Completed
1	APPLICANT INFORMATION		
	Applicant and education information		
	Sponsor information		
	<ul> <li>Separate Resume containing the following:</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Professional Goal</li> </ul>		Application
	$\circ$ Education (school attended/attending) GPA, graduation date &		
	major (for current college students)	20.11	
	<ul> <li>Professional/Work Experience</li> </ul>	30 pts	D
	<ul> <li>Leadership and Involvement (extracurriculars)</li> </ul>		Resume
	<ul> <li>Community Service</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Awards and Honors</li> </ul>		
	See sample resumes for suggested format for various applicants. Applicants may		
	adopt a different format with noted category headers being used and kept in		
	the same order as noted above. Resume should be an unlocked PDF.		
2	ESSAY written by the applicant (500 words or less) and submitted on this	20 ptc	
	application. See page 6 for essay prompt choices.	30 pts	
3	OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT must include most recent semester of attendance. 2024		
	fall semester grades should be on transcript if you are currently attending high		
	school or college. Must meet the same deadline of 11:59 EST Feb 28, 2025.		
	<ul> <li>High school seniors should submit most recent high school transcript</li> </ul>		
	including dual enrollment (college) courses. <b>OR</b> send both high school	20 pts	
	and college transcripts.		
	<ul> <li>Current college students should send most recent college transcript.</li> </ul>		
	Transcript is attached as PDF OR		
	Transcript will be emailed from school		
4	<b>LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION</b> from a non-family member. May be attached as		
	a second document or sent directly by the person giving the recommendation.		
	Must meet the same deadline of 11:59 EST Feb 28, 2025.	20 pts	
	Name of person giving recommendation:	- 1	
	Recommendation is attached as PDF OR		
	Recommendation will be emailed from recommender		
5	MILITARY SERVICE VERIFICATION ONE of the following:		
	Military Service Verification Form (pg 5) and dependent military ID		
	shown at later date if applicant is awarded the scholarship		
	Current orders (with all personally identifiable information		
	redacted SSN/DOB)	0 pts	
	DD214 (with all personally identifiable information redacted SSN/DOB)	-	
	Other military records as appropriate for Guard/Reserve service		
	(documentation signed/dated on letterhead), international military		
	members, deceased or POW/MIA servicemembers. Redact all personally		
6	identifiable information SSN/DOB		
6	PUBLICITY RELEASE FORM (Page 7)	0 pts	

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION		
Name (last, first, middle initial)	Nickname, if any	
Dependent Status:	Dependent Child of Sponsor	
	Dependent Spouse of Sponsor	
I reside within 100 miles of Wright Patterson Air Force Base.	Yes No	
Current Mailing Address (street, city, state, and zip)	Phone Number (including area code)	
Email Address (HS students-not your high school email)	Military Dependent ID Card Expiration Date	
Name of High School (school, city, state)	High School Graduation Date	
College/Technical School You Plan to Attend or Currently Attend (school, city, state)	Intended Major	
Expected College Graduation Date		

EDUCATION List most recent first			
Unweighted	Attendance Dates		
GPA	From M/Y	To M/Y	
3.2	08/2020	present	
	GPA	GPA From M/Y	

The WPOSC is a private organization. It is not a part of the Department of Defense or any of its components and has no governmental status.

SPONSOR'S INFORMATION		
Name (last, first, middle initial)	Email Address	
Branch of Service	Status: Active Duty, Reserves, Retired, Other (explain)	
Sponsor resides within 100 miles of Wright Patterson Air Force Base. For fallen heroes, sponsor was a former resident within 100 miles of WPAFB.	Yes No	
Sponsor is currently assigned to a military installation within 100 miles of WPAFB (if not currently serving select "NA"	Yes No NA	
Home/Cell Phone (including area code)	Work Phone (including area code)	
Current Mailing Address (street, city, state, and zip)		

#### MILITARY SERVICE VERIFICATION:

The applicant must provide verification of their sponsor's military status. Please indicate below your preference for providing verification (**only one** is needed):

Military Service Verification Form. This will require dependent military ID\* shown at later date if applicant is awarded the scholarship (see next page)

Current orders (with all personally identifiable information redacted SSN/DOB)

DD214 (with all personally identifiable information redacted SSN/DOB)

Other military records as appropriate for Guard/Reserve duty (documentation signed/dated on letterhead), international military members, deceased or MIA servicemembers. (*Redact all personally identifiable information SSN/DOB*)

\*Per AFI <u>DAFI36-3026V1\_DAFGM2024-01</u> January 16, 2024 this scholarship does not apply as exception for providing a photocopy of a military ID.

#### **MILITARY SERVICE VERIFICATION:**

This form is one option way for applicants to prove status as military dependent child or spouse. May also submit other military documentation (see previous page). An authentic "wet signature" or digital signature are both acceptable.

## 1. Applicant Certification

	I meet the requirements to be considered a military dep	endent(child or spouse).	
	My military sponsor's information:	(First Name, initial, last name)	
	Their duty status is:	_ (active duty, reserves, retired,	
	deceased, POW/MIA)		
AP	PLICANT'S SIGNATURE	Date Signed:	
A	n authentic "wet signature" or digital signature are both acceptable. Digital signa	tures should look like this:	
2.	Military Sponsor Certification	Casey Jones Date: 2017.05.08 00:55:19-07'00'	
	I am the sponsor of the student/prospective student completing this application.		
	My current military status is:	(active duty, reserves,	
	retired, deceased, POW/MIA)		
	If currently serving, my current military duty station is:		
If sponsor is not able to complete certification, please provide additional information:			
SP	ONSOR'S SIGNATURE*	Date Signed:	
SP	ONSOR'S Name:	_	
*S	ponsor signature not required if sponsor is deployed.		

3. **DEPENDENT MILITARY ID COPY** must be shown to a WPOSC Board of Governor's member at a later date if using this form and applicant is awarded scholarship.

If ID is not available, please provide additional information:

# ESSAY

Please select and answer ONE of the following questions:

- 1. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
- 2. Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?
- **3.** How has your experience as a military dependent shaped your character and influenced your educational and career goals?

Your answer must be typed in the space below and limited to 500 words. Do not include your name in the essay.

#### PUBLICITY RELEASE FORM

Name (last, first, middle initial)

The following information may be released for publicity purposes for the Wright Patterson
Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship:

- Applicant's Name
- Sponsor's Name
- If dependent child, both parents' names
- Current city and state of residence
- Current high school/college
- College/Technical school you plan to attend
- Intended Major

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• Photo submitted by scholarship recipients or group photo taken for WPOSC scholarship award ceremony.

, release the use of my name, pe	ersonal
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(first name, middle initial, last name)

information noted above, and photos submitted to Wright-Patterson Officers' Spouses' Club to be used for publicity purposes.

Applicant's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian's Signature (if applicant under 18)	Date

An authentic "wet signature" or digital signature are both acceptable.