



2017 PTSA SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

The Wiregrass Ranch High School PTSA is an all-volunteer organization that works to benefit the students of WRHS. Each year the PTSA awards several graduating seniors with scholarships in two separate categories: Academic Achievement and Citizenship.

This year, a total of six scholarships in the amount of \$500 each are being offered. Three of the scholarships are based on Academic Achievement (**3.7** minimum weighted GPA), and three will be presented for Citizenship (**3.0** minimum weighted GPA).

Eligibility

To apply for this scholarship, a student:

1. Must be a WRHS Graduating Senior for the **entire** 2016-17 academic year.
2. Must be a 2016-17 WRHS PTSA Student Member **and must** have joined PTSA prior to *September 30, 2016*.
3. Must hold a 3.0 minimum weighted **GPA**.

Eligible Students will be required to complete and submit a PTSA Scholarship Packet, which includes:

1. The attached 2-page Application
2. A Personal Essay (300-400 words)
3. Two Letters of Recommendation

Deadline for Submission:

Applications will be accepted until March 31, 2017.

The PTSA Scholarship Committee thanks you for your application. The Committee is appointed by the WRHS PTSA Executive Board. The Committee members review all applications and then meet to determine the scholarship recipients. All decisions are final. Children or relatives of the Scholarship Committee are not eligible. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

The PTSA Scholarship Committee congratulates you on your upcoming high school graduation and wishes you the best of luck in the future!

General Instructions

Confidentiality

Your application will be kept confidential and be evaluated & scored anonymously by the PTSA Scholarship Committee. It is recommended that you attempt to avoid making references that would reveal your identity.

The PTSA Senior Scholarship Packet

1. **Application** - Complete all applicable sections of the attached two-page application.
2. **Essay** – Complete a personal essay following the instructions below:
 - 300-400 words, typed, single spaced, 12-pt font
 - Outline your goals in college and life. Expand on how you chose this goal/goals.
 - Explain how your academic choices and selection of clubs, activities, volunteer service and/or internships supported your goal(s).
 - Explain why you desire this scholarship.
 - *Show the total word count at the end of your essay.*
3. **Two Letters of Recommendation:**
 - Include ONE letter of recommendation, on school letterhead, from a *WRHS Faculty or Staff Member* who can highlight your academic achievements and extracurricular activities.
 - Include ONE letter of recommendation from a *Community Member (non-relative)* who can highlight your extracurricular activities and/or community involvement, including how long they have known you.

Submitting the Scholarship Packet

1. Place the application, essay, and letters in a **large manila envelope** (*or something similar*).
2. **You may drop the packet off in the WRHS front office**, and it will be placed in the *PTSA mailbox*. Please label your envelope: **PTSA Senior Scholarship**.
3. **Another option is to mail the packet to the following address:**
Wiregrass Ranch High School PTSA, 2909 Mansfield Blvd., Wesley Chapel, FL 33543

****Completed Application Packets Must be Received by:
Friday, March 31, 2017 @ 2:30 p.m.**

Date of Notification

Scholarship recipients will be notified prior to the Awards Ceremony, which is held in May.

Signatures

I VERIFY THAT THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT. I understand and agree that this application may be read and reviewed by members of the WRHS PTSA Senior Scholarship Committee and Wiregrass Ranch High School administrators and staff involved in the selection of the scholarship recipients. I also understand the decision of the PTSA Senior Scholarship Committee is final.

Student Applicant Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (if student is under 18)

Date

Parent Name (Printed)

Date

2017 PTSA SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

STUDENT INFORMATION				
Student ID Number:		GPA (Weighted):		
Are you a current WRHS PTSA member for the 2016-2017 school year?			YES	NO
How many other years have you been a WRHS PTSA member?	0	1	2	3

PTA / PTSA INVOLVEMENT
*LIST how you have been involved with the PTA/PTSA (grades 6-12) in events and/or programs (through volunteering, fundraising, attending, etc.) Include details re locations & time frames.
<i>Ex: I volunteered at JLMS Round Up in 2015. Ex: I helped with games at SPES Carnival in 9th grade.</i>
1.
2.
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5.

COLLEGE PLANS		
What college do you plan to attend?		
What is your anticipated major?		
Have you applied for admission to this college?	YES	NO
Have you been accepted to this college?	YES	NO

STUDENT RESUME (Sections 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 3)

1A. HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES		
*List school Activities/Clubs/Athletics you have participated in during your high school career.		
<i>Organization / Club / Team</i>	<i>Position/Office Held and/or any Leadership Roles</i>	<i>Year(s)</i>

*You may write on the back or use additional paper, if needed (for any section).

1B. HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS & RECOGNITION

*List High School Awards/Honors you have received:

2A. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

*List Community Activities/Organizations you participated in during high school:

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Position/Office Held and/or Leadership Roles</i>	<i>Year(s)</i>	<i># Volunteer Hours</i>

2B. COMMUNITY AWARDS & RECOGNITION

*List Community Awards/Honors you have received:

3. WORK EXPERIENCE*

<i>Employer</i>	<i>Type of Work</i>	<i>Hours/Week</i>	<i>Dates of Employment</i>

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS OR GRANTS

*List other scholarship or grant money you have been awarded for college (excluding Bright Futures):

<i>Resource</i>	<i>Amount</i>

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