

Hoboken Family Alliance

College/Post-Secondary Scholarship
Application for Community Service
2017 Application

Scholarship, Leadership & Community Service



Complete your application today and you may receive up to \$2,000 for your college education.

Application Deadline: *March 10th, 2017*

Application must be submitted to your high school guidance counselor by the application deadline.

Visit www.hobokenfamily.com/scholarship to access an electronic copy of the scholarship packet.

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TIPS FOR COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

Start the application process early.

Applications are due March 10th, so give yourself plenty of time to complete the application with all the relevant information.

Visit www.hobokenfamily.com for more information about the HFA College Scholarship program, download a copy of the scholarship application or find answers to frequently asked questions.

Read the instructions.

You can submit just one application, so read the instructions thoroughly and reach out to HFA with any questions. Completed applications will not be returned so remember to make a copy for yourself.

Submission Process.

Once you have completed the application, please enclose it in the green three-hole clasped folders available from the coordinator at your school. It is important to hole-punch your application in order to keep your pages together. Anything in a sealed envelope can be placed in the folder pockets.



The type of folder you should use for your application is pictured above.

Refer to this checklist to make sure you have all required materials completed as needed:

- Official transcript of grades for registered classes from Fall 2016 and Spring 2017.
- Completed application. Original typed or neatly printed in pen. No pencil.
- Essay signed and dated.
- Counselor report in sealed envelope.
- Proof of Hoboken Residency.
- Two letters of reference.
- Copies of acceptance letter or completed application to a two or four-year accredited college.

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INSTRUCTIONS & GUIDELINES

You must use the official 2017 Hoboken Family Alliance College Scholarship application. It must be dated and signed by you and your parent(s) or guardian. Typed applications are preferred; however, neatly written in print is also acceptable.

All applications will be reviewed and award decisions made based on a combination of academic merit, community sensibility and service. Applications and all supporting documents must be in English or English translations. We recommend making a copy of the entire application for your own records as submissions will not be returned. The application must be submitted to your school's coordinator by **Noon on Friday, March 10th, 2017.**

ELIGIBILITY

Any senior who resides in Hoboken, attends a Hoboken high school and has applied to any post-secondary institution, most notably a two or four-year college.

COMPLETED APPLICATION

Your application must be submitted to your school's coordinator in the green folder, available at your guidance counselor's office. The folder should include the application, essay, transcripts, college acceptance or application forms and optional exhibits.

EMPLOYMENT

List any jobs and hours worked for the period September 2013 through now. List approximate number of hours worked per week.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List any community service from September 2013 through now. List hours served in total or per project and provide the name of the organization and contact information.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Remember to record academic, leadership or athletic accomplishment including such milestones or awards as: Eagle Scout, Gold Award, Teen of the Year, any statewide or national conference recognition; National Merit or AP (or IB recognition).

LEADERSHIP AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List your primary high school leadership roles and extracurricular activities, the number of years involved and hours worked per week. Please complete this even if you plan to include an activity sheet.

ESSAY

Answer Part One. Choose A or B in Part Two. Each essay should be 500 words and attached as part of the application. Give the essay a title and include your name on the top.

EXHIBITS (OPTIONAL)

Exhibits are optional and supplemental. You may attach up to 10 pages of exhibits in achievements across scholarship, leadership, athletics, academic clubs, drama, community service or other activities. Resumes, activity sheets and essays are NOT considered optional exhibits.

COUNSELOR REPORT

This report must be completed by your high school guidance counselor or appropriate school official. The report form and school profile (a document that describes the school's demographics and course offerings) must be submitted in a sealed envelope.

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ESSAY

Essay:

Each essay must be original and a maximum of 500 words.

Part One (Required)

Explain what you seek to attain from a college education.

Part Two (Choose A or B)

A. Tell us what you would do to make Hoboken a better place to live. Include or describe what you might see as a shortcoming and describe how you would address that shortcoming civically, socially and/or economically.

B. Describe an experience in either community, worship or extracurricular activity in which you learned an insight, what it was, and how you turned that insight into something positive for our Community.

Each essay should be 500 words and attached as part of the application. Give the essay a title and include your name on the top.

The following four pages must be filled out as completely as possible.

A PDF version of the application is available for download at

www.hobokenfamily.com/scholarship.

The PDF version has form fields that can be typed into, saved to your computer and printed when you are ready to sign and submit it.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address (required) _____

Phone (_____) _____ Gender Male Female

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Month Day Year

Name and Location of High School _____

Do you currently have an IEP or 504 Plan? Yes No

RESIDENCY

Do you currently live in Hoboken Yes No

Please provide a copy of your family's utility statement or telephone bill.

SIGNATURES

By signing this application, you agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified from this contest. You agree to the use of your name and information contained within the application for advertising, promotional and publicity purposes without consent or compensation.

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Student)

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Mother/Stepmother/Guardian)

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Father/Stepfather/Guardian)

For HFA and Schools Only

The Scholarship Committee asks the high school administrator to please confirm that all students were advised fairly and equally to participate in the scholarship application

This application, with attached exhibits, has been reviewed, and conforms with the rules and regulations set forth by HFA

Date: _____ (signature) _____
Scholarship Administrator

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WORK EXPERIENCE

List jobs you have held between **September 1, 2013 - August 31, 2016**. Start with the most recent and include work in a family business, even if you were not paid. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section. List approximate total hours worked, not average hours per week. **You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Complete this section even if you plan to attach an activity sheet or resume.

Specific Nature of Work	Employer	Approximate Dates of Employment	Total Hours
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____
		GRAND TOTAL HOURS WORKED =	_____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community service you performed between **September 1, 2013, and August 31, 2016**, starting with the most recent. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section. List approximate total hours, not average hours per week. **You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Complete this section even if you plan to attach an activity sheet or resume.

Specific Nature of Service	Organization	Approximate Dates of Service	Total Hours
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
		GRAND TOTAL HOURS WORKED =	_____

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HONORS AND AWARDS

List scholastic, extracurricular, and civic honors and awards received during grades 9 through 12. Select the year received, state the nature of award (i.e. Girl Scout Gold Award), and select the level of recognition. **Please do not abbreviate names of awards**, as we may not understand their meanings. Include a brief description of each award on a separate sheet of paper. Feel free to explain, in 25 words or less, the purpose of the award and why you received it. Complete this section even if you plan to attach an activity sheet or resume.

Grade Level				Honor/Award	Level of Recognition			
9	10	11	12		School	State/ Regional	National	Inter- national
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

LEADERSHIP AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List your **principal** leadership roles and extracurricular activities, in the order of importance to you. State the name of the organization, years involved, hours-per-week commitment, leadership role and responsibilities held in that role. Examples include, but are not limited to, student government, publications, debate, orchestra/band, varsity athletics, church groups, performing arts, service programs, etc. Complete this section even if you plan to attach an activity sheet or resume.

Activity	Grade Level				Hours/Week	Weeks/Year	Positions Held/Honors Received/Letters Earned
	9	10	11	12			
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____
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COUNSELOR REPORT

Applicant: Fill out your name and give this page to your counselor or appropriate school official. This section can be completed by your counselor before you are finished with the application, but must be in a sealed envelope and signed across the seal.

Student Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Counselor: This form will be used to verify the students academic status, so be sure to provide accurate information. Please include a copy of your school profile if available, and answer all of the following questions, even if the information is included in the profile. A school profile is a document describing your school's demographics and course offerings. If your school has a policy of not ranking students, provide information to help us identify promising applicants. **Please secure these items in a sealed envelope, signed across the seal, and give to the student to include in the application brochure. The HFA will not return this form to the student.**

This applicant's grade point average (A=4.0) _____ (required)

The highest GPA in the graduating class? _____ (required)

Is the GPA based on weighted grades? Yes No

Class rank: The applicant ranks _____ in a class of _____

How many students have this rank? _____

How many rank above? _____ Is the rank based on weighted grades? Yes No

If exact rank is not available, indicate rank to the nearest 10th from the top _____

Applicant's **highest** test scores (required): **ACT** _____ /Date taken _____

SAT Critical Reading _____ Math _____ /Date(s) taken _____

Are honors courses available? Yes No Has the applicant taken honors courses? Yes No

If yes, in which subjects has the applicant taken honors courses? _____

Are Advanced Placement courses available? Yes No Has applicant taken Advanced Placement courses? Yes No

If yes, in which subjects has the applicant taken Advanced Placement courses? _____

Are International Baccalaureate courses available? Yes No Has the applicant taken IB courses? Yes No

If yes, in which subjects has the applicant taken IB courses? _____

How would you describe this applicant's academic program compared with that of other students applying for scholarships?

Below Average Average Above Average Rigorous Most Rigorous

Is there a community service requirement to graduate? Yes No If yes, how many hours? _____

Has the applicant ever been suspended or dismissed from your school? Yes No

If yes, please explain the circumstances. _____

Name (please print): _____ Position _____ School Phone _____

School Email _____ Length of time acquainted with applicant _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Place completed Counselor Report in envelope and sign across the seal.

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