

Welcome to the 2024-2025 Scholarship Program of the Scott Spouses' Club (SSC). Each year, the SSC acknowledges and rewards outstanding academic achievement and community involvement as part of its charitable program. Financial assistance for study at higher learning institutions is available to eligible applicants who are dependents of United States military members of any rank. Scholarship awards will be presented to local graduating military dependent high school seniors and local military spouses.

All applications must be postmarked by Monday February 10, 2025. Hand delivered applications will NOT be accepted.

Additional information may be obtained from the Scott Spouses' Club website: www.scottspouseclub.com/scholarships. Please read all guidelines, policies, procedures, and requirements before applying and use the checklist to guide you through the application process. If you have any questions, please contact the Scholarship Chair at scholarships@scottspouseclub.com.

Thank you, and good luck!

POLICY

- 1. The SSC will award academic scholarships to qualified applicants if monies permit in each of the following categories:
 - Category I: Eligible military dependent high school senior seeking post-secondary education
 - Category II: Eligible military spouse entering or continuing education
- 2. Eligibility for an SSC scholarship is restricted to dependents of a United States military member who meet the criteria below:
 - Military member (active duty, reserve, guard) must be assigned to Scott AFB, IL, or live within 50 miles of Scott AFB
 - OR military member (retired, POW/MIA, or deceased) must live within 50 miles of Scott AFB
- 3. Applicants are not eligible to receive an SSC scholarship if they meet any <u>one</u> of the following criteria:
 - Are members of the Scholarship Committee or dependents of a member of the Scholarship Committee.
 Members of the Scholarship Committee and their dependents can become eligible if they resign from the committee. The departing member will appoint a replacement that the Scholarship Committee approves.
 - Are previous SSC scholarship recipients or have accepted another military spouses' club scholarship from any other base.



- 4. The scholarship awards are based on the following criteria: scholastic ability, extracurricular activities, service and citizenship activities, work experience, character references, and personal essay. Financial need is not considered.
- 5. The scholarship must be used by the recipient at an accredited 2- or 4- year college or university, vocational, or technical school during the 2025-2026 academic year (Summer & Fall 2025 or Spring 2026). In addition, scholarships may be used at a school pending accreditation by an organization approved by the US Department of Education. Payments cannot be used for coursework already completed and will not be paid to the recipient to compensate for coursework previously completed.
- 6. The Selection Committee are non-SSC members that may include, but are not limited to, representatives from education, business, social services, and other community members. Two alternate committee members may be chosen to assist in the event a Selection Committee member cannot participate.
- 7. Recipients and non-recipients will be notified by mid-April. At the beginning of May, the SSC will recognize all recipients.
- 8. The SSC Charitable Treasurer will issue a check in the full amount of the scholarship payable to the recipient that has verified the recipient's enrollment. The Scholarship Chair will forward this check after receiving all necessary information from the recipient. Any SSC scholarships not claimed by October 6, 2025, will be forfeited, and the funds will revert to the SSC Charitable Association (SSCCA).
- 9. Sponsored scholarships from SSC's partnering organizations may have additional requirements for funds disbursement along with varying forfeiture dates.
- 10. All submitted materials will become the sole property of the SSC and will be retained for one full year from the selection date. At the end of that year, all applications and supporting documents will be destroyed.
- 11. Incomplete or inaccurate applications will not be considered and will be disqualified.
- 12. An email notification will be sent when a completed application is received.
- 13. Hand delivered applications will <u>NOT</u> be accepted.
- 14. Scott Spouses' Club is not responsible for any lost applications in the mail.



CHECKLIST	
Please arrange	e material in the following order.
Part I:	Application Form Type or print legibly when filling out the application form. Be sure to provide all information requested and appropriate signatures. Note: High school seniors need a sponsor's signature. A missing signature may be deemed an incomplete application.
Part II:	Verification and Transcript A) Copy of utility or cable bill for proof of residence with current address B) Applicant must be listed on readable photocopy (front and back) of one of the following:
Part III:	Extracurricular Activities Using the Part III form, list extracurricular activities in which you have, or currently, participate. These may include but are not limited to sports, band, theater, school clubs, after-school programs, etc. For spouses it may be clubs or organizations in which you are a member. Please limit it to only high school activities for seniors. For military spouses, please include the last 5 years or the most recent, relevant activities.
Part IV:	Service, Citizenship, Volunteer and Work Activities Using the Part IV form, list all service, citizenship, volunteer, and work activities in which you have participated. These may include, but are not limited to scouts, faith-related activities, community volunteer, and/or paid employment. Please limit these to high school activities only for seniors and the last 5 years for military spouses (or most recent relevant activities).
Part V:	Personal Essay On a separate piece of 8 1/2" x 11 white paper, answer the essay question to the best of your ability. The essay should be one page in length, single-spaced, typed, 1-inch margins, Times New Roman, font size 12. Do not put your name on or in the essay . Please re-type the question on top of the page. Attach your essay to this application packet.
Part VI:	Recommendation letters Please include at least two letters from people other than relatives. The letters

Mail to:

must include a telephone number and email address where the recommender may be reached.

SSC Scholarship Committee ATTN: Scholarship Chair



P. O. Box 25037 Scott AFB, IL 62225

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OR				
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Applicant's Signature		Sponsor's Signature		Date
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Intended Major/Field of Study/Trade				
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Institutions which you have applied of	or are attending and	I will use the scholarship toward	S	



PART	II
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- **A.** Copy of utility/cable bill for proof of residence with current address.
- **B.** Applicant must be listed on readable photocopy (front and back) of one of the following:
 - Military orders (please black out SSN)
 - Commander's Letter
 - DEERS form verifying the applicant's dependent status
- C. Official Transcripts Official, sealed transcripts must be postmarked by February 10, 2025.

Category I Applicants (Military dependent high school senior):

Please fill out the following to the best of your knowledge:	
Class Rankout of	
GPA: Un-weighted Weighted	
High School Counselor's Name Phone number_	
Category I (High School) and Category II (Military Spouse) Applicants:	
Please check how we will receive your official transcript(s):	
Sealed and Enclosed Mailed by school to address shown below	Other

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PART III – Extracurricular Activities (Continue on a blank sheet if you exceed the space provided.)

Activity Name/Position Held	Dates	Hours per Week	No. of Weeks	Total Hours
e.g., Member, Secretary, President, Co-Captain, etc.	01 Aug 2017- 01 May 2018	20 hours per week	40 weeks	800 hours

Total	Hours:	

PART IV – Service, Citizenship, Volunteer and Work Activities (Continue on a blank sheet if you exceed the space provided.)

Service, Citizenship, and Volunteer Activities

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Total Hours	s:

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Paid Employment (Continue on a blank sheet if you exceed the space provided.)

Company Name/Position Held	Dates	Hours per Week	No. of Weeks	Total Hours
e.g. Company Name: Doe Grocery Store Contact Name: John Doe Phone Number:618-222-4444	01 Aug 2017- 01 May 2018	20 hours per week	40 weeks	800 hours
Company Name:				
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PART V – Essay Question

Submitted essay format should be on a separate piece of 8 1/2" x 11 white paper, one page in length, single-spaced, typed, 1-inch margins, Times New Roman, font size 12. **Do not put your name on the essay.** Please re-type the question on top of the page. Attach your essay to this application packet.

Essay Question: What inspires you and how does it influence your goals?

PART VI – Recommendation Letters

Please include at least two letters from people other than relatives. The letters must include a telephone number and email address where the recommender may be reached.

Thank you for submitting your application for consideration.