



South County High School

2019-2020 PTSO Scholarship Program

The South County High School PTSO is pleased to offer achievement-based scholarships to well-rounded graduating seniors pursuing full-time higher education at a two- or four-year college or university or technical/vocational institute. Award amounts will be \$500 each.

All applications are reviewed anonymously by an impartial selection committee and are evaluated on the following criteria: academic and other achievement, extra-curricular activities, letter of recommendation, essay submission, community involvement, leadership, and overall quality of application.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicant must be a senior at South County High School graduating in June of the current academic year.
- Minimum weighted GPA of 3.0
- **Student and/or student's parent/guardian must be a paid member of the South County High School PTSO by April 24, 2020.** To verify membership status, log in to your account using the "MembershipToolkit" app or go to <https://southcountyppto.membershiptoolkit.com/home>. You may also purchase a membership there.
- Applicant must be accepted by a college or post-secondary institution at the time the scholarship is paid.
- No preference will be given to applicants based on race, religion, nationality, gender, physical handicap, economic background, or length of time enrolled at South County High School.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Fully completed scholarship application must be typed and signed.
- Personally written essay on the topic provided. **All essays must be typed, double spaced in 12 pt. Times New Roman font, on standard-sized white paper.** Essays should not exceed 300 words and should NOT include your name or other identifiers. Content and grammar will both be a consideration in determining award recipients.
- One letter of recommendation in a sealed and signed envelope (over the envelope flap).
- Copy of 7-semester unofficial transcript listing all high school credits and grades through the first semester of senior year.

- **Fully completed applications and all related documents are due and must be postmarked by April 24, 2020.** Mail applications to: Stephanie Murphy, ATTN: PTSO Scholarship, 9118 Wood Pointe Way, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. Do not deliver applications to school. Incomplete or late submissions will NOT be considered.

DISBURSEMENT OF AWARDS:

- Scholarship winners will be announced at the Senior Awards Ceremony in May.
- Payment of scholarship awards will be made directly to the student and are intended to be applied to tuition, room and board, books and/or any other college related expenses.
- Scholarship awards will be submitted upon receipt of a copy of the school's statement showing acceptance in an accredited institution. The student must provide the scholarship administrator with this verification by June 5, 2020.

QUESTIONS AND MAILING INFORMATION:

- Questions should be directed to the Scholarship Administrator: Stephanie Murphy, sandsmurphy@hotmail.com or 910-850-3668
- Application packages should NOT be delivered to SCHS. All completed application packages should be postmarked by **April 24, 2020**, and mailed to:

**Stephanie Murphy
ATTN: PTSO Scholarship
9118 Wood Pointe Way
Fairfax Station, VA 22039**



South County High School 2019-2020 PTSO Scholarship Application

Applicant Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City/State/Zip:			
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Email Address			
Parent / Guardian Name			

Higher Education: Please list the colleges/post-secondary institutions where you have applied:			
School Name	City and State	Zip Code	Accepted: Y/N Indicate if ED/EA
			Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> ED <input type="checkbox"/> EA <input type="checkbox"/>
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Please address the following areas of involvement during the last 4 years only. Include leadership positions held, if applicable. If more space is needed, duplicate the page(s) – resumes or any other format will not be accepted.

School Clubs and Activities: This can include clubs, organizations, honor societies, fine and performing arts, student government, etc.

Activity	From mo/yr	To mo/yr	Duties and/or Position Held

Community Activities and Service: This can include volunteer activities, scouting, etc.

Activity	From mo/yr	To mo/yr	Duties and/or Position Held

Athletics:			
Activity	From mo/yr	To mo/yr	Position Held

Work and Internship Experience, full or part-time: Include self-employment such as pet sitting, childcare, etc.			
Job and Employer/Agency	From mo/yr	To mo/yr	Hours per week

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Honors, Awards or Recognitions (not listed in the previous sections):

Award/Recognition	Year Received	Organization

Essay:

Attach a personally written essay on the following topic:

If someone were to write a biography about your life, what would it be titled? Please explain.

All essays must be typed, double spaced in 12 pt. Times New Roman font, on standard-sized white paper. Essays should not exceed 300 words and should NOT include your name or other identifiers. Content and grammar will both be a consideration in determining award recipients.

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Personal Statement (Optional):

If there is anything about your background or personal experience that you feel would be helpful for the Scholarship Committee to know as we evaluate your application, please use the space provided below (2,000 character limit).

Student/Parent Certification:

We certify that to the best of our knowledge, all responses are true and factual. We understand that falsification or failure to provide documentation may result in the revocation of any scholarship awarded.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): _____

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