



## Redmond High School PTSA

### 2024 Student Scholarship: Application Instructions

**Submission deadline: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 by 11:59pm**

Redmond High School PTSA Scholarships, valued at \$1,000 each, aim to support the educational pursuits of selected graduating seniors. Recipients of these scholarships may allocate the funds exclusively for tuition at a two-year or four-year college, vocational school expenses, mandatory textbooks, or on-campus housing for room and board. The scholarship award must be utilized by December 31, 2024.

The PTSA Scholarship Committee employs a thorough evaluation process based on the following criteria to determine scholarship recipients:

1. **Extra-curricular and Community Service Activities:** *Consideration of involvement in extracurricular activities and contributions to the community.*
2. **Academic Excellence and Motivation:** *Evaluation of academic performance and demonstrated motivation for higher education.*
3. **Essay Responses:** *Assessment of thoughtful and articulate responses to essay prompts.*
4. **Future Goals:** *Examination of the applicant's aspirations and future educational or career objectives.*
5. **Demonstrated Determination or Turnaround in High School:** *Recognition of instances where determination or significant improvement has been displayed during high school years.*
6. **Letters of Recommendation:** *Submission of letters of recommendation is required and must be received by the specified deadline.*
7. **Correct and Complete Submission of the Application**

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the application form and the short answer questions and **submit** them to [scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org).
2. Include the following supplemental items:
  - a. Copy of your **high school transcript including the first semester of senior year** and any college courses you have taken. Unofficial copies are acceptable.
  - b. **TWO letters of recommendation:** at least one from an RHS faculty member who knows you well. The second letter may be from an employer, coach, running start instructor, family friend or other appropriate individual. **Letters from family members will not be accepted.** Recommendation letters may be **emailed** directly to [scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org).
3. Please do not submit any additional materials, such as art portfolios or photos, as these will not be considered. **ALL SCHOLARSHIP MATERIALS WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL**



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Applicants will be notified of their status by the end of May. Scholarships will be presented during the RHS PTSA meeting in June. If you have any questions, please contact [scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondhsptsa.org).

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian #1 name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian #2 name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College/School you are planning to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide contact information for the two individuals who will be providing your letters of recommendation:

Name #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIDAVIT:** I hereby certify that my replies to all statements are true and accurate, and to the best of my knowledge all attachments submitted with my application are true, original and accurate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Please provide your answers to the following:

1. **List** your most significant **activities and involvement in your high school** (such as ASB, Sports, Music, Clubs, etc.). Please include approximately how many hours per month was spent on each and for what years you participated.
2. **List** your **activities in the community** (include non-paid work experience, volunteer, scouting, religious groups, family obligations, clubs, etc.) Please include approximately how many hours per month was spent on each and for each and for what years you participated. If you have had a **job(s)**, please **list** your employer(s), job responsibilities and approximate number of hours worked.
3. **List** any **awards, honors or special recognition** you have received.
4. Where do you **see yourself 10 years from now** (250 words or less)
5. Let us know if there is **any other information that you wish to share** with the Selection Committee - Please include a brief description in 50 –100 words
  
6. **Essay question:** Choose **ONE of the 4 topics** below. All essays should be typed with at least 200 words and a maximum of 300 words:
  - a. Describe a time you faced a challenge and how you handled it
  - b. Reflect on the impact of your volunteer work within the community, both in the present and its potential influence on your future
  - c. Explain the factors that led to a positive turnaround in your academic journey, focusing on the role of determination. If there was a specific situation involved, describe how your unwavering determination played a pivotal role in reshaping your focus.
  - d. Provide a description of why you seek to receive this scholarship, outlining your motivations and aspirations for the future