



# New York State Elks Association 2017 Scholarship Application

Applicant must be an undergraduate college student. 2017-2018 Academic Year

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (that you will use after high school graduation) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Gender Male  Female

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year City, State or Country

Name and Location of High School(s) \_\_\_\_\_

## CITIZENSHIP

Are you currently an American Citizen? Yes  No

NOTE: (Legal permanent resident status does NOT qualify. Applicant MUST be a citizen on the date the application is signed.)

If you were not born an American Citizen, but are a Naturalized American Citizen, give date, place (Office or Court where Naturalization occurred) and Naturalization Number. If naturalized under the Child Citizenship Act of 2000, please include your parent(s)' naturalization information.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year Court or Office and City and State

If you were not born in the United States, but are a citizen by birth, explain circumstances. \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 Lodge Use Only—Must Have Lodge Endorsement to Be Accepted for Judging**

Applicant must be the son/stepson or daughter/stepdaughter of an Elk member in good standing. Each application must be filed with the secretary of the Lodge where applicant's parent(s) is a member on or before **November 30, 2016**. The application must bear an official Lodge Endorsement and Seal.

This is to certify that at a regular Lodge session held on: \_\_\_\_\_ and Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_ BPO Elks did endorse the scholarship application of \_\_\_\_\_ whose parent (IS) a member in good standing in said Lodge.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signatures: Exalted Ruler: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scholarship Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have questions, contact the New York State scholarship chair, Jennifer Neaton at [neatjenn@twcny.rr.com](mailto:neatjenn@twcny.rr.com) or call (cell) 315-854-1627.



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See the Instructions and Guidelines page at the end of the application for complete details on assembling your application.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

List jobs you have held between **September 1, 2013, and August 31, 2016**. Because the scholarship contest officially begins on September 1, 2016, only list work performed before that date. Start with the most recent and include work on a family farm, for a family business, or internship even if you were not paid. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section, and place the sheet behind this page. List approximate total hours worked, not average hours per week. Do not use acronyms. **You will receive zero points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Any hours listed as 'to present' or after August 31, 2016, will be disregarded.

Specific Nature of Work	Employer	Approximate Dates of Employment		Total Hours
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GRANDTOTALHOURSWORKED=\_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community service you performed between **September 1, 2013, and August 31, 2016**, starting with the most recent. Because the scholarship contest officially begins on September 1, 2016, only list service performed before that date. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section, and place the sheet behind this page. List approximate total hours, not average hours per week. Do not use acronyms. **You will receive zero points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Any hours listed as 'to present' or after August 31, 2016, will be disregarded.

Specific Nature of Service	Organization	Approximate Dates of Service		Total Hours
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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. If you list more honors and awards on a separate sheet, place the sheet directly behind this page.

Grade Level	Honor/Award	Level of Recognition			
		School	Regional	National	Inter-national
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## 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. If you list more activities on a separate sheet, place the sheet directly behind this page.

Organization	Grade Level				Hours/Week	Weeks/Year	Positions Held/Honors Received/Letters Earned
	9	10	11	12			
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## PARENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Parent(s): Complete the financial information section based on your 2015 IRS 1040. Visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) for more information.

If parents are divorced or separated, answer the questions for the parent the applicant lived with the most in the past 12 months. If the applicant lived with both parents an equal number of days in the past 12 months, count the parent who provided the greatest amount of support, financial as well as material. Material support includes cars, clothing, medical and dental payments, etc. If that parent has remarried, the stepparent's information must be included.

If the divorce or separation occurred within the past five years and the custodial parent has not remarried, provide financial information of the non-custodial parent. If whereabouts of the non-custodial parent are unknown or the non-custodial parent is unwilling to comply, please explain in a separate statement.

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Stepfather's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Stepmother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Custodial Parent's marital status as of today (choose one):

Mother: Married  Single  Widowed  Separated\*  Divorced\*  Remarried\*\*

Father: Married  Single  Widowed  Separated\*  Divorced\*  Remarried\*\*

With whom does applicant make his or her permanent home? Mother  Father  Both   
Other \_\_\_\_\_

Date of divorce or separation \_\_\_\_\_

\* For details, see the instructions above.

\*\*Include stepparent's income in the appropriate section and read instructions concerning custodial parent.

A. Number of people in family, not including parents, who will receive the majority of parental support between Sept. 1, 2017, and Aug. 31, 2018. Include dependent children and others, e.g. dependent grandparent, living in household who receive more than half their support from parents. \_\_\_\_\_

B. Name and age of dependents. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

C. Number of dependent children, including applicant, as defined above, attending college during academic year 2017-2018 on at least a half-time basis.  
\_\_\_\_\_

D. Based your 2015 IRS 1040, indicate the custodial parent(s)' adjusted gross income. You will receive zero points in this section if this information is not completed. Round the adjusted gross income to the nearest \$100.

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E. Do you qualify for free or reduced lunch at your school? Yes  No  Not Sure

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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.**

**Applicant Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

**Counselor:** This form will be used to verify the applicant's 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 NYSEA will not return this form to the applicant.**

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

Does your school individually rank students?  Yes  No If yes: 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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 the 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?  
 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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## ACADEMICS

You must submit an official, current high school transcript. The transcript must include seventh semester classes. It does not need to include seventh semester grades. If your transcript does not list seventh semester classes, please provide a schedule of your seventh semester classes. If the official transcript is in a sealed envelope, please leave in the envelope and place the envelope in the pocket of the folder.

ACT or SAT test scores taken before November 5, 2016, must be included in the application. Photocopies or print-outs from the SAT and/or ACT websites are acceptable. It is not necessary to send a separate sheet of test scores if they are included on your transcript.

## ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, prepare a typed essay of no more than 500 words on the following topic. The essay must be dated and signed by the applicant. Failure to do so will result in zero points in this section.

**Using one of the leadership roles or extracurricular activities you prioritized as being important to you, describe what impact the experience had on you, what you contributed, what you learned about yourself, and how it has influenced your plans for the future.**

## COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

**Use this checklist to ensure that you are submitting all required items. Please arrange items in this order.**

- Completed Application.** Three-hole punch your application, and place in a folder.
- Essay** (signed and dated).
- Official Transcript of Grades.** Include a list of seventh semester classes. Seventh semester *grades* are not required. If transcript is in a sealed envelope, please leave it sealed and place in the pocket of the folder.
- SAT and/or ACT scores** taken before November 5, 2016.
- Counselor Report** in a sealed envelope. Place in the pocket of the folder.
- Copies of Exhibits.** Optional. Up to 10 pages can be included, double-sided acceptable.
- Take application to the Lodge** where your parent is a member by **November 30, 2016.**

If you are unable to find the answer to your question on the following page, email Jennifer Neaton at [neatjenn@twcny.rr.com](mailto:neatjenn@twcny.rr.com) or call (home) 315-261-4150/(cell)315-854-1627.



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## INSTRUCTIONS & GUIDELINES

You must use the official 2017 NYSEA Most Valuable Student application. It must be dated and signed by you and your parent(s) or guardian(s). Typed applications are preferred.

Applications and all supporting documents must be in English or English translations. We highly recommend making photocopies of your application and supporting documentation. All applications become the property of the NYSEA and will not be returned.

### ELIGIBILITY

Any high school senior or undergraduate college student who is the son/stepson or daughter/stepdaughter of an Elks member in good standing in the state of New York is eligible to apply.

### COMPLETED APPLICATION

Your application must be in a folder with inside pockets and clasps.

Everything, except items in sealed envelopes, should be three-hole punched and placed in the clasps of the folder. The completed folder should include the application, essay, transcript, test scores, counselor report, and optional exhibits as applicable. See checklist on the right.

### EXHIBITS (OPTIONAL)

Exhibits are optional, supplemental material. Attach up to 10 pages of exhibits of achievement in scholarship, leadership, athletics, dramatics, community service or other activities. Exhibits may be double-sided. We emphasize quality of exhibits over quantity. Examples include: Newspaper articles in which you are featured, certificates of achievement in academics, music, drama, sports, service, etc., copies of awards.

### INDEPENDENT STUDENT

We will not accept an applicant as an independent student unless the student is or has been a ward of the Court or other extenuating circumstance. We require a copy of a court document or a Notarized letter from an appropriate Court Agency (Social Services) certifying such status.

### HOME SCHOOLING

Home-schooled students are eligible to apply for the scholarship. However, all aspects of the application must be filled out completely. When possible, a third party should complete the Counselor's Report for the applicant.

## ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION INFORMATION

Are you a high school senior? The Most Valuable Student Scholarship and Legacy Awards are scholarships offered by the Elks National Foundation.

To apply for the Most Valuable Student scholarship you must be a high school senior and U.S. citizen. For details and eligibility, visit [enf.elks.org/mvs](http://enf.elks.org/mvs).

To apply for the Legacy Awards scholarship, you must be a high school senior and have a parent who is an Elks member in good standing. For details and eligibility, visit [enf.elks.org/leg](http://enf.elks.org/leg).

Emergency Educational Grants are available to students whose Elk parent is deceased or totally disabled. Visit [enf.elks.org/EEG](http://enf.elks.org/EEG) for more information.