



Virginia State Scholarship Fund Scholarship Application 2023-2024

This application applies to the 2023-2024 academic year (fall 2023 and spring 2024). V.S.S.F. Scholarships are available to women who: 1) are citizens of the USA or legal permanent residents, domiciled in Virginia, 2) are high school graduates, 3) are well-rounded in activities, 4) have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, 5) have financial need, and 6) will be attending an accredited Virginia school of higher education as full time undergraduate students. The completed and signed application packet, including all supporting documents, must be postmarked by **February 15, 2023**.

Please note: a student may be awarded a scholarship no more than two times and must submit a new application for each award.

Please send the following application and the following items IN ONE (1) PACKET:

1. An official transcript:
 - (A) Incoming college freshmen must send an official high school transcript with a cumulative G.P.A. statement. For dual enrollment resulting in college credits, also include official college transcript with cumulative G.P.A. statement.
 - (B) Current college freshmen must submit an official high school transcript with cumulative G.P.A. and an official transcript with a cumulative G.P.A. statement for the first semester of college.
 - (C) Current college undergraduates must send an official college transcript with cumulative G.P.A. statement.
2. A current resume that shall include work experience, extra-curricular activities, community service, and/or church activities.
3. A 300-word essay about yourself, including your hobbies, life, educational and career goals, factors which have favorably or adversely influenced your life, reasons for desiring to attend the Virginia school of higher education you have chosen, and any other information about yourself which you think pertinent.
4. A copy of the entire official *Student Aid Report* (SAR) from the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) dated 2022-2023. ***This document will be approximately 5-7 pages. Please be sure you include the entire official document. Previous years will not be accepted.***
5. Three current letters of recommendation from individuals who know you well. These may include a businessperson, religious leader, current instructor, guidance counselor, or a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood. ***Please note, these must be in sealed envelopes to ensure confidentiality.***

Use this checklist to ensure you have included the following items in your application packet: _

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| | Signed application |
| | Official transcript(s) |
| | Resume |
| | Essay |
| | Entire Official SAR (all pages, not just the cover sheet) |
| | 3 Current letters of recommendation in individual, sealed envelopes |

When your application packet is complete, please mail it to:

V.S.S.F. Scholarship Committee
c/o Sandi Pafford Nguyen
P.O. Box 3240
Glen Allen, VA 23058

Please note: *incomplete applications will not be considered.*

Questions may be emailed to: vssf-vccsf@vapeo.org

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What is your anticipated date of college graduation? _____

What is your planned field of study? _____

If you are a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, please give your chapter: _____

If a relative is a P.E.O. member, please give her name, relationship to you, chapter, and state.

If you learned about this scholarship through a P.E.O. member, please give her name, chapter, and state.

If not through a P.E.O. member, how did you learn about this scholarship?

If you are a Designated Scholar applying for a renewal scholarship, please give your Designated Chapter.

Date

Signature of Applicant

If the applicant is under eighteen, please provide:

Father's/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian