

Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program Application 2023-2024

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Scholarship Description

The Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program opens the door to post-secondary education opportunities for youth and adults. This program is designed to help residents from Roosevelt and North Babylon in New York and Manchester New Hampshire attend and graduate from post-secondary institutions, including two-year schools, trade schools, and four-year colleges. The program serves low-income high school seniors and adults who have a desire to attain a college degree. If accepted into the program, students receive scholarships of up to \$25,000 annually, for up to four years, plus mentoring and funding for enrichment opportunities. The program is funded by an anonymous donor and administered by The Philanthropic Initiative (TPI).

Thank you for your interest in the **Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program**. Please read these instructions **carefully** before filling out your application. Applicants' ability to follow instruction will weigh into award decisions.

Complete applications are due **Friday February 17, 2023 by 5:00 pm**.

Requirements

Applicant Criteria

- High school senior or adult resident from Roosevelt (NY), North Babylon (NY), or Manchester (NH), or graduate of a high school of one of the towns listed, applying to attend or currently attending a two-year school, trade school, or four-year college (part-time or full-time) in 2023-2024.
- Ability to clearly articulate how this scholarship will impact the applicant's life and goals, and a drive to meet these goals through further education.
- Significant financial need and opportunity to make a significant difference— priority will be given to applicants with Expected Family Contributions (EFC) of \$10,000 or less.
- Applicants must be US Citizens, US Permanent Residents (aka Green Card holders), or DACA or TPS recipients. All applicants must be eligible to apply for Federal Student aid in order to receive a scholarship.

- Substantial unmet financial need (at least \$5,000 per academic year) beyond what is being offered in federal, state, college aid, and other scholarships, as determined by college financial aid award letter.
- Applicants must exhibit good citizenship and a commitment to building and investing in their community.

Application Materials:

- Complete Application Submitted Online
- Financial aid award letter (if available)
- High school transcript
- College transcript for students who are already in college
- Essays (2)
- FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)

Instructions

Completing your application

- Application materials can be found on TPI's website: <https://tpi.org/scholarships-college-success/>
- To preview the application, click on the **Print Questions** button in the upper right-hand corner.
- Click the **Save as Draft** button at the bottom of the page to save your responses. To return to your application at a later date, log in and click on your application under your contact information. It will be marked Draft until you submit it.
- Questions marked with an asterisk (*) are required. You will not be able to submit your application until all required questions are answered.

Submitting your application:

- You must submit your application for it to be considered. Once you submit your application, you will receive an email confirming its receipt. If you do not receive this email, then it has not been properly submitted and will not be reviewed. Log back into your account to submit, or email anntheodorescholarship@tpi.org.
- Before Clicking Submit: Make sure all attachments are uploaded in .pdf, .doc, or .docx format, and your answers are complete and clear. Click on the "Application Packet"

button to view your application in the form the reviewers will see it. **Applications that have blank, unreadable attachments, or don't load correctly will not be considered.** It is important that you look over your application to make sure everything has been properly submitted.

If you have any questions or need help uploading materials to your application, please contact Sophia Hancock at anntheodorescholarship@tpi.org

Student Information

First name (legal name)*

Please enter your name exactly as it appears on official documents.

Character Limit: 100

Last Name (legal name)*

Character Limit: 100

Preferred name/nickname

If you have a name other than your legal name that you prefer to go by, please list that name here.

Character Limit: 100

Gender*

How do you identify?

Choices

Female
Male
Nonbinary
Other

Pronouns

Please select your preferred pronouns.

Choices

He/him
She/her
They/them

Date of Birth*

Example: xx/xx/xxxx

Character Limit: 10

Which of the following applies to you?*

If none of the following applies to you, you are not eligible for this scholarship.

Choices

I am a resident of/graduate of a high school in Roosevelt, NY

I am a resident of/graduate of a high school in North Babylon, NY

I am a resident of/graduate of a high school in Manchester, NH

Student Demographic Information

Are you of Hispanic or Latino descent?*

(Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture)

Choices

Yes

No

Race/Ethnicity*

Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please check one of the following groups which best describes you.

Choices

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

White (including Middle Eastern)

Multi-racial

U.S. Citizen?***Choices**

Yes

No

Legal Status***Choices**

U.S. Citizen

U.S Permanent Resident

Temporary Protected Status (TPS)

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

Were you born in the U.S.?***Choices**

Yes

No

Country of Origin*

If you were not born in the U.S., where were you born?

Character Limit: 25

First generation college student?*

A first-generation college student is defined as a student whose parent(s) have not completed a bachelor's degree (this does not include siblings). Are you among the first-generation in your immediate family to complete a bachelor's degree?

Choices

Yes

No

First Parent's Education*

What is your first parent's highest level of education?

Choices

Middle School

High School

Some College

College (two-year)

College (four-year)

Graduate School

Do not know

Second Parent's Education*

What is your second parent's highest level of education?

Choices

Middle School

High School

Some College

College (two-year)

College (four-year)

Graduate School

Do not know

How did you hear about the Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship?***Choices**

Your school or guidance counselor

Internet

A friend or family member

Community organization

College or university

Other

What is the name of the person or school/organization who told you about the scholarship?*

Character Limit: 100

High School Information

High School: Name*

Character Limit: 150

High School: Location*

City, State

Character Limit: 100

High School: Year of Graduation*

Character Limit: 4

High School GPA - Unweighted*

If school does not provide unweighted GPAs, please enter "0". We will consider this a "N/A" response.

Character Limit: 5

High School GPA - Weighted*

If school does not provide weighted GPAs, please enter "0". We will consider this a "N/A" response.

Character Limit: 5

College Choice(s)

Applicants to the **Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program** must be applying to attend a two-year school, trade school, or four-year college part-time or full-time in 2023-2024.

Please list, in order of preference, the schools you hope to attend in 2023-2024.

First Choice School - Name*

Character Limit: 100

First Choice School - Location*

City, State

Character Limit: 100

First Choice - Application Status*

Have you been accepted to your First Choice School?

Choices

Yes.

I am still waiting for a decision.

Yes, and I am currently attending this school.

Second Choice School - Name

Character Limit: 100

Second Choice School - Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

Second Choice - Application Status

Have you been accepted to your Second Choice School?

Choices

Yes.

I am still waiting for a decision.

Third Choice School - Name

Character Limit: 100

Third Choice School - Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

Third Choice - Application Status

Have you been accepted to your Third Choice School?

Choices

Yes.

I am still waiting for a decision.

Are you a current college student?*

Choices

Yes

No

Why did you choose your top choice school?*

Why do you want to attend your top choice school in particular? Was it due to the school's location, majors offered, or something else?

Or if you are already in college, why did you choose to attend the school that you are currently attending?

Character Limit: 5000

Major/Field of Study*

What is your anticipated course of study? Ex: Biology, finance, communications, etc.

Character Limit: 50

Are you planning to attend school part time or full time?*

Choices

Part time

Full time

College/Post-Secondary Institution: Living Situation*

Choices

Live on campus

Live off campus

Live at home with parent(s) or other family

In fall 2023, what year of college will you be entering?*

Choices

First year

Second year

Third year

Fourth year

How long is your total anticipated course of study?*

Choices

One year

Two years

Three years

Four years

Career Goals*

What are your career goals after completing your college or post-secondary degree?

Character Limit: 300

Questions for Current College Students

This section is only required if you are a current college student.

What is your anticipated graduation date?

Please enter the month and year. For example, you could enter "May 2024."

Character Limit: 25

What is the total amounts of students loans that you have taken out to date?

Character Limit: 20

What is your current cumulative college GPA?

Character Limit: 20

Financial Information

Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)*

You can find your AGI on your 1040 (likely line 37) or on your FAFSA SAR (line 85).

Character Limit: 20

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)*

You can find your EFC on page 1 of your FAFSA SAR.

Character Limit: 20

Family Educational Expenses*

Is your immediate family supporting anyone else in college or a post-secondary institution? (If no, type "No." If yes, please list their names, relations to you, and ages.)

Character Limit: 250

Dependency*

Did anyone claim you as a dependent on their 2022 taxes? If so, what is their relation to you?

Character Limit: 250

Dependents*

Do you have dependents? (If no, type "No." If yes, please list their names, relations to you, and ages.)

Character Limit: 250

Additional Information

Please use this space to elaborate on any additional information you feel may assist the review committee in understanding you or your family's financial situation (optional).

Character Limit: 250

Please list all other scholarships you have applied to or are receiving for the 23-24 school year.*

Please include: name of scholarship, amount, one-time or annual, and application status. If you have not applied to any other scholarship programs please enter N/A.

Character Limit: 5000

Extracurricular Information

Please fill out the following information about your extracurricular, community/volunteer, and work experiences. A sample entry could look like this:

Work

Sales Assistant; ABC Marketing; January 2017-present; 40 hours per week; \$15 per hour.

Sunshine Camp; summer camp counselor; June 25, 2019-August 31, 2019; 30 hours per week for 8 weeks; \$2,000.

Activities, Awards & Honors

Memorial High School Marching Band; trumpet player; grades 10, 11, 12; 4 hours per week for 3 months.

Community/Volunteer

Brookside Elementary School; first grade reading tutor; four years of participation; 4 hours per week.

If you don't have anything to list in a particular section please write N/A.

If you would prefer, you may attach your resume at the bottom instead of filling out the individual fields.

Work

Describe your work experience **from high school through the present**. Indicate dates of employment for each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. List amounts earned at each job (for example \$15 per hour).

Character Limit: 3000

Activities, Awards & Honors

List all activities in which you have participated during high school, college, or other post-secondary experiences (e.g., student government, clubs, associations, sports, etc.). Please list the most recent first. Note all special awards, honors and offices held.

Character Limit: 3000

Community Service/Volunteer Activities

List all community activities in which you have participated without pay in the past four years including name of organization, dates of participation and specific activities.

Character Limit: 3000

Resume

You are welcome to include a copy of your resume instead of filling out the information above if you feel it provides a better representation of your experiences.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Essays

The essay portion of this application is an opportunity for you to share who you are as a candidate for this scholarship. We value any insights you can provide about your life experience, character, and values. The scholarship review committee appreciates your thoughtfulness and the effort you put into these essays.

Essay #1*

The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience? (300-600 words, or 2000-4000 characters)

You may submit a copy of your college application essay instead of Essay #1, if preferable. You may either copy and paste your college essay in the space below, or upload the essay in the next question. If you prefer to upload it, please write "N/A" in the space below.

Character Limit: 4000

College Essay Upload

If you have elected to upload a copy of your college essay for Essay #1, please upload it here.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Essay #2*

How will this scholarship impact your life and personal goals? Please be specific about your educational and career ambitions and how receiving this scholarship would help you. (300-600 words, or 2000-4000 characters)

Character Limit: 4000

Required Attachments

Please attach the following **required attachments**.

High School Transcript: Transcripts must be received by the application deadline. Grade reports are not acceptable. Online transcripts may be uploaded to your application and must display the following information:

- student name
- school name
- grade received
- the term in which each course was taken

High School Transcript: Unofficial or Official?*

Which type of transcript are you attaching?

Choices

Official

Unofficial

High School Transcript*

Please attach a copy of your high school transcript.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

College/Post-Secondary Transcript: Include if you have already begun or are in a college or post-secondary program. Transcripts must be received by the application deadline. Grade reports are not acceptable. Online transcripts may be uploaded to your application and must display the following information:

- student name
- school name
- grade received
- the term in which each course was taken

College/Post-Secondary Transcript- Official or Unofficial?

Which type of transcript are you attaching?

Choices

Official

Unofficial

College/Post-Secondary Transcript

Please attach a copy of your college or post-secondary transcript, if you have attended or are currently attending a college or post-secondary program.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)*

Please attach a copy of your **FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)** in **.pdf format**. *You can obtain a copy by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov and printing/saving your entire SAR (it should be five pages long).*

File Size Limit: 4 MB

Financial Aid Award Letter: Please attach a copy of your financial aid award letter, if you have received it, from your college or post-secondary program. If you have not received a financial aid award letter, leave this question blank.

If you are already in college, please upload a copy of last year's financial aid award letter.

Financial aid award letter

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Certification

Have you ever been placed on non-academic probation or been suspended from secondary school or convicted of a felony?*

Choices

Yes

No

If you answered Yes to the previous question, please explain here.

Character Limit: 500

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Electronic Signature of Applicant*

Please type your full name.

Character Limit: 50

Today's Date*

Character Limit: 10

Electronic Signature of Parent/ Guardian

Please enter your full name, if applicant is under 18 years of age.

Character Limit: 50

Today's Date

Character Limit: 10

Once your application is submitted, you may view your application at any time by returning to your online account. However, you will not be able to make any changes.

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