

Blair Family AvalonBay College Scholarship 2024-25

TPI - Blair Family AVB

Instructions

The Blair Family AvalonBay College Scholarship seeks to make a lasting difference in the lives of individuals who would benefit greatly from a challenging college education that may lie beyond reach financially. It aims to support the educational aspirations of highly motivated and talented children of full-time AvalonBay associates who are preparing for college.

The Blair Family AvalonBay College Scholarship offers up to \$25,000 per year to children of full-time AvalonBay associates who excel academically, are actively engaged in extracurricular and/or community activities, and have substantial financial need. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years, provided the student remains in good academic standing. Scholarship amounts will be determined based on financial need and the financial aid package awarded by the institution the student plans to attend.

When filling out your application, **read all questions and instructions carefully.**

Completing your application

- To preview the application, click on the **Print Questions** button in the upper right-hand corner. You should do this prior to beginning the application to review the questions.
- To complete all required forms, download and save them to your desktop. Fill out the forms and save the completed version to your computer before uploading them to the application.
- Click the **Save as Draft** button at the bottom of the page to save your responses. To return to your application on 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.
- Recommender must upload a letter of recommendation to the student's online application.
- SAT and/or ACT Test Scores: Submitting test scores this year is *optional*. Test scores can be included in the application and a copy of scores need to be uploaded to the application, if you choose to include your scores.

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 **AVBScholarship@tpi.org**.
- Note: Your recommenders will continue to have access to submit their materials even after you click "submit." You do not need to wait for your recommendations to be complete in order to submit your application.
- 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, please contact AVBScholarship@tpi.org.

Personal Information

First Name*

First name of student.

Character Limit: 100

Last Name*

Last name of student.

Character Limit: 250

Your responses to the demographic questions below are voluntary. The collection of data informs our understanding of the applicant population. However, the requested data is not considered in the scholarship selection process.

How do you identify?***Choices**

Female

Male

Non-binary/ third gender

I use another term

Prefer not to answer

Ethnic Information*

Choices

- American Indian/Alaskan Native (Not Hispanic/Latino)
- Asian, not of Hispanic origin
- Black/African American, not of Hispanic origin
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Island (Not Hispanic/Latino)
- Two or more races (Not Hispanic or Latino)
- White, not of Hispanic origin
- Prefer not to answer

Date of Birth*

Example: xx/xx/xxxx

Character Limit: 10

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 obtain a 4-year college degree?

Choices

- Yes
- No

AvalonBay Associate Parent or Guardian Information

Associate's First Name*

Character Limit: 20

Associate's Middle Initial

Character Limit: 2

Associate's Last Name*

Character Limit: 20

Associate's Email Address*

Character Limit: 100

Associate's Current Position, Department*

Example: Assistant to the VP, Finance Department

Character Limit: 50

Associate's Work Site*

Site Name, City, State

Character Limit: 50

Associate ID #*

Character Limit: 20

Associate's Employment Start Date*

Must be prior to 03/29/2023.

Example: xx/xx/xxxx

Character Limit: 10

Associate's Home Address 1*

Please enter the Street Address.

Character Limit: 30

Associate's Home City, State Zip*

Please enter the City, State Zip.

Character Limit: 50

Relationship to the Associate*

What is the Associate's relationship to you?

Example: mother, father, guardian, etc.

Character Limit: 50

Are you a dependent of the Associate?*

To be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant **must** be a dependent of an AvalonBay associate.

Choices

Yes

No

High School Information

High School- Name*

Character Limit: 100

High School - Location*

City, State

Character Limit: 50

High School - Graduation Date*

Month/Year (Example: xx/xxxx)

Character Limit: 7

High School GPA - Weighted*

Please provide your GPA in this format: 0.00 or 0.0

If your school does not provide a weighted GPA please write "N/A"

Character Limit: 4

High School GPA - Unweighted*

Please provide your GPA in this format: 0.00 or 0.0

If your school does not provide an unweighted GPA please write "N/A"

Character Limit: 4

High School Class Rank*

Please report your class rank out of your total graduating class (e.g.: 5/120). If your school does not rank students, please write Not Applicable.

Character Limit: 15

Advanced Placement Courses

Please list the names of any Advanced Placement (AP) courses you have completed or in which you are currently enrolled.

Character Limit: 500

SAT Score - Total

Including test scores is optional. If you decide to submit your scores, please provide your combined SAT score. If not applicable, please enter "0"

Character Limit: 4

SAT Score - Math

Including test scores is optional. If not applicable, please enter "0"

Character Limit: 4

SAT Score - Evidence-Based Reading and Writing

Including test scores is optional. If not applicable, please enter "0"

Character Limit: 4

ACT Score- Total

Including test scores is optional. If not applicable, please enter "0"

Character Limit: 4

Student Information

Year in College/University*

As of September 2024, what year of school will you be in?

Choices

- 1st year/Freshman
- 2nd year/Sophomore
- 3rd year/Junior
- 4th year/Senior
- 5th year/Other

Expected College Graduation Date*

Month/Year (Example: xx/xxxx)

Character Limit: 7

Anticipated Major or Field of Study*

Character Limit: 100

High School Transcript*

Please upload a copy of your most recent high school transcript.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

College Transcript

If you are a college student, please upload a copy of your most recent college transcript.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

For Current High School Students

This section is required only if you are a **current high school senior** and will be a first-year college student as of September 2024. Please complete all sections and provide at least one college choice.

There is space to provide information on your top three college choices for the 2024-25 academic year. **You must provide information for at least one college or university.**

First Choice College- Name

For current high school seniors only.

Character Limit: 100

First Choice College - Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

First Choice College - Application Status

Have you been accepted to your first choice college?

Choices

Yes

I am still waiting for a decision.

First Choice College - Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance

This includes tuition, all academic fees, room/board (or cost of commuting), and books for the 2024-25 academic year.

Character Limit: 20

Second Choice College- Name

For current high school seniors only.

Character Limit: 100

Second Choice College - Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

Second Choice College - Application Status

Have you been accepted to your Second Choice College?

Choices

Yes.

I am still waiting for a decision.

Second Choice College - Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance

Character Limit: 20

Third Choice College – Name

For current high school seniors only.

Character Limit: 250

Third Choice College – Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

Third Choice College - Application Status

Have you been accepted to your Third Choice College?

Choices

Yes.

I am still waiting for a decision.

Third Choice College - Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance

Character Limit: 20

For Current College Students

Complete all questions in this section only if you are a **current college student** and will be returning to school as of September 2024.

College Name

For current college students only.

Character Limit: 100

College – Location

City, State

Character Limit: 100

College- Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance

This includes tuition, all academic fees, room/board (or cost of commuting), and books for the 2024-25 academic year.

Character Limit: 20

College Cumulative GPA

Character Limit: 5

Extracurricular, Work, and Community Experience

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

Work

Sunshine Camp; summer camp counselor; June 25, 2020-August 31, 2020; 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; grades 11 & 12; 6 hours per week after

school for 4 months.

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 during the past four years (e.g., food server, babysitting, lawn mowing, office work). Indicate dates of employment for each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. List amounts earned at each job.

Character Limit: 4000

Activities, Awards & Honors

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

Character Limit: 4000

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: 4000

Resume (not required)

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

Short Essay - Potential Scholarship Impact*

How would this scholarship make a difference for you?

Character Limit: 3000

Short Essay - Goals*

What goals do you hope to realize by furthering your education?

Character Limit: 3000

Short Essay (Optional)

Describe one or more challenges or special circumstances you have overcome, and how that experience has shaped your plans for the future. (250 words or less)

Character Limit: 1400

Long Essay - College Application Essay*

Please upload a copy of your college application essay or personal statement. **Please note: documents must be uploaded as .doc, .docx, or .pdf files.**

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Other - Part I*

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

Choices

Yes

No

Other - Part II

If you answered **Yes** to the previous question, please explain here. (500 words or less)

Character Limit: 3000

Financial Information

Please note the following:

- All financial information will be treated confidentially.
- The information will be reviewed by a selection committee that is independent of AvalonBay.
- This information will be used to help understand the student's potential financial need.
- Actual scholarship award amounts will be determined upon review of the financial aid award letter received from the college/university the student plans to attend.

Student Aid Index (SAI)*

Found in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Submission Summary

Character Limit: 20

Family Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)*

AGI can be found in the FAFSA Submission Summary. **Please enter a number here.** If the number is not available on your FAFSA Submission Summary, please reference your parents most recent tax filing form.

Character Limit: 20

FAFSA Submission Summary*

Please attach a copy of your **FAFSA Submission Summary**

You can obtain a copy by going to <https://fafsa.ed.gov/> and printing/saving your entire submission summary.

Please note: documents must be uploaded as .doc, .docx, or .pdf files.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Marital Status of Associate (Parent/Guardian)*

Choices

Married
Divorced
Separated
Widowed
Single

Parent Contribution

If you live in a **single parent household**, will your other parent be contributing toward the cost of your college education?

Please briefly explain.

Character Limit: 1000

Certification

By my signature, I certify that the information provided is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give my consent for representatives from TPI to discuss my eligibility and need for scholarship assistance with financial aid counselors at my college(s) of choice.

Applicant's Electronic Signature*

Please type your full name.

Character Limit: 50

Today's Date*

Character Limit: 10

Parent's or Guardian's Electronic Signature

If the applicant is under age 18, please enter your full name.

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.

Important: be sure to review your application before clicking "submit" to make sure all attachments have been uploaded correctly and your answers are clear. To do this, click on the "Application Packet" button in the top right-hand corner of the page. This will allow you to view your application in the form the reviewers will see it. ***Applications that have unreadable attachments or don't load correctly will not be considered. It is very important that you look over your application to make sure everything will be properly submitted.***

Recommendation

Reference Email*

Please enter the email address of your reference below, then click "Compose Email" to send them a personal email asking them to be a reference. They will receive a second email from this system which will include a link for them to click on and answer questions. Please inform your reference to check their spam folder as well. Below are generic instructions for you to copy and paste into your email if you would like to use them.

Thank you for taking the time to serve as a reference for me for the Avalon Bay Scholarship. You'll be receiving another email from "administrator@grantinterface.com" which will include a link. This link will direct you to download the recommendation form and will provide instructions on how to upload your recommendation to my application. The application due date is March 29, 2024 at 11:59 pm ET.

Thanks!

Character Limit: 254

Recommender First Name*

Character Limit: 25

Recommender Last Name*

Character Limit: 25

👤 Recommender's Position:*

If not applicable write "N/A."

Character Limit: 50

👤 Recommender's Organization:*

If not connected to an organization/company please write "N/A."

Character Limit: 150

👤 How long have you known the applicant?*

Character Limit: 100

👤 In what capacity do you know the applicant?*

Character Limit: 250

👤 Letter of Recommendation

Please upload your letter of recommendation for the applicant here.

Please note: documents must be uploaded as .doc, .docx, or .pdf files.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

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