



# Pennsylvania Land Surveyors' Foundation

## SCHOLARSHIP

The Pennsylvania Land Surveyors' Foundation Inc., an affiliate of the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors (PSLS), is pleased to announce the continuation of its Scholarship Program for the coming year. Interested students should complete the attached application and return to:

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**Note:** Application must be postmarked by **April 30, 2025** to be considered for the 2025-2026 Scholarship Award.

1. **AMOUNT:** Several scholarships are planned to be awarded. The amounts will be two installments awards with one being at the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors Annual Conference in January.
2. **OBJECTIVE:** To promote, improve and, encourage the profession and practice of land surveying in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by providing financial assistance to those persons intending to pursue, or who are currently pursuing, an education in surveying with an ultimate goal of becoming practicing professional surveyors.
3. **AWARD:** Scholarships will be disbursed in two installments, the first issue being given by \_\_\_\_\_, the second by \_\_\_\_\_. Both installments are subject to current enrollment in either a two-year or four-year ABET-accredited Surveying or similarly named program.
4. **RECIPIENTS:** The scholarship recipients will be chosen by the Foundation's Board of Trustees based upon achievements, content of responses, grammar, presentation, and advisor's evaluation. Announcement of the recipients will be made by July of each year. The Foundation will not discriminate against any person in the selection process on the basis of age, race, religion, sex, ancestry, or national origin.
5. **ELIGIBILITY:**
  - a. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States.
  - b. The applicant must be enrolled in or be accepted in either a two- or four-year ABET accredited Surveying or similarly named program.

- c. The applicant must submit copies of high school or college transcripts with completed Transcript Release Form from Guidance Office or Registrar's Office.
6. **EVALUATION:** Each applicant will be evaluated on a point system as described below. (The degree of the financial need will be used, if necessary, to break ties, after the primary criteria have been considered.)
- a. **Applicant's Academic Record—30 points maximum as follows:**  
Students will be rated on their cumulative grade point average at the time they apply for the scholarship and course work completed.
  - b. **Applicant's Statement—30 points**  
Evaluation of content, clarity of ambitions and career goals, grammar, spelling, and neatness.
  - c. **Applicant's Professional Activities—20 points**  
Evaluation of applicant's activities and honors, work experience, leadership positions, and distinguishing qualifications
  - d. **References and Evaluator Scholarship Recommendation Form—20 points**  
The applicant must submit three-character references from someone who is not a family member.  
The student's instructor, guidance counselor, or advisor should provide an objective evaluation regarding academics, and character on the enclosed "Evaluator Scholarship Recommendation Form." This form should be mailed separately from the student's application.
7. **INSTRUCTIONS:**
- a. Be as complete as possible while filling out this application.  
Each portion of the application has a specific point value. The Foundation Trustees will score each section separately. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
  - b. Forms must be typed or neatly printed. Use of separate paper will be accepted. Points will be lost for poor grammar, incorrect spelling, illegibility, or lack of neatness. Proofread carefully.
  - c. Submit the **three** Evaluator Scholarship Recommendation Forms to instructors, guidance counselor, or advisor.



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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Fill in all blanks below. Type or print clearly. Attach one copy of your high school or college transcript, depending on your current student status. SAT scores may also be submitted by high school students.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PERMANENT ADDRESS:

(Street) (City) (State) (ZIP)

CURRENT ADDRESS: *(If different than above)*

(Street) (City) (State) (ZIP)

TELEPHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT GRADE LEVEL: *(Circle applicable grade level)*

HIGH SCHOOL: Senior College accepted at \_\_\_\_\_

Program of acceptance \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

**B. ACTIVITIES:** Describe your high school or college activities and community activities (in order of interest to you) of which you have been involved.

**C. AWARDS:** List any special honors and/or awards you have received in or out of school.

**D. WORK EXPERIENCE:** Describe recent work experience:

**E. CAREER GOALS:** In the space below, write a paragraph describing the value you place on a surveying education, and your expectations for your future in the surveying profession.

**F. FINANCIAL RECORD:**

Estimated annual expenses for the upcoming year:

- a. Tuition/Fees \$
- b. Books \$
- c. Room/Board \$
- d. Other \$

**Total Estimated Annual Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

How will you provide for this?

Will your employer provide any financial aid?      yes              no

If yes, explain:

**G. AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION:**

By submitting this application, I authorize my school officials or teachers to make available to the Pennsylvania Land Surveyors' Foundation information concerning my academic records if requested.

I understand that if offered an award I must be enrolled or accepted in a surveying curriculum as a full-time student in order to receive the award. If for any reason subsequent to receiving a scholarship award, I elect to substantially alter my proposed study plan, I will immediately inform the Foundation, and if requested, will return the money paid to me. I give permission to have information about this award shared with PSLS and the public.

I attest that the information given in this application is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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