

WHITEMAN SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIP 2020

SPOUSE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Be the spouse of an officer or enlisted military member (active duty, guard/reserve assigned to Whiteman AFB, POW/MIA, retired, or deceased).
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess a GED equivalent.
- Winners will be required to present a valid military ID for verification before an award can be presented.
- Reside in the local area (within 50 miles).
- Applicant must be or planning to be enrolled as a part-time student (6 hours minimum) at a vocational school, college or university for the Fall semester of the 2020-2021 academic year.
- Applicant for the 2020 Spouse Education Scholarship Award cannot have been a recipient of a scholarship award from the Whiteman Enlisted Spouses' Club, Whiteman Officers Spouses' Club, or Whiteman Spouses' Club in ANY prior year.

* All eligibility requirements are subject to the approval of the scholarship committee.*

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Completed and Signed Application.
- 2) Official transcript- must be sealed by school official and received by the scholarship committee unopened.
- 3) Signed Statement of Understanding (attached).
- 4) An essay. Essay must be 300 - 500 words typed / 12 point font and in response to the topic listed below. It will be graded according to the attached rubric. *“Describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your field of study and your future goals.”*
- 5) A letter of recommendation: character letter from an adult that is not a relative (volunteer work, spouses club, professional/employment, etc.).
- 6) Please submit all requirements in a 9x12 envelope or larger. Please keep all documents in order. **Include a self-addressed envelope.**

Applications not meeting ALL requirements will be VOID

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. The spouse application process is judged on the following criteria:
 - a. Work Experience / Education
 - b. Community Service or Volunteer Activities (Offices Held, Awards/Honors)
 - c. Essay
2. You may include a photocopy of any award or recognition that supports your achievements and awards.
3. If selected for a scholarship, please be advised that a short biography may be written on your behalf by the scholarship chairs using information provided in this application.
4. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Malin or Becca Cline at wsc.scholarship1@gmail.com or (660) 687-9516.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 31st 2020. Please mail all applications to:

**Whiteman Spouses Club
Attn: WSC Scholarship Chairperson
PO Box 7025
Whiteman AFB, MO 65305**

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SPOUSE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION PART I

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State Zip Code

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Spouse's Name / Rank / Unit: _____

High School Attended: _____
Name City State

Graduation Date: _____ GPA: _____ GED Received Date: _____

Colleges Attended, if any: _____

College Years Completed, if any: _____ Last GPA: _____

Arrival date at Whiteman AFB: _____ Number of PCS (moves) in your Military Career: _____

COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING
(INDICATE ACCEPTANCE, IF APPLICABLE):

1. _____ Accepted: Yes or Pending (Please Circle One)
2. _____ Accepted: Yes or Pending (Please Circle One)
3. _____ Accepted: Yes or Pending (Please Circle One)

Type of degree pursuing: Associates Bachelor Masters Doctorate Course of Study: _____
(Please Circle One)

Desired Field of Work After School: _____

I contest that all information in this application (including any supplemental information) is factually true and honestly presented and that I am the person submitting this application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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SPOUSE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION PART II

Please type your answers to the following section on a separate piece of paper in **bullet point form**. List all activities in which you have actively participated and include the year. Attach to the application.

- A. Post High School Education (e.g. Certifications, Computers Skills, Technical Training).
- B. Have you had a remote or deployed spouse while pursuing your degree (list dates)?
- C. Have you moved while pursuing your degree (list dates)?
- D. Employment History or Stay at Home Spouse.
- E. Community Service or Volunteer Activities (Incl. clubs or organizations and positions held).
- F. Honors and/or awards received (Please include years).
- G. Hobbies or Special Interests
- H. Did you or a family member volunteer in the WAFB Thrift Shop in the last year, Yes or No? (Please provide name(s))
- I. List any additional information you feel the scholarship committee should know.

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Applicant Statement of Understanding

All applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, January 31, 2020. No late applications will be accepted. Winning applicants will be notified and presented their award at an official event in April 2020.

1. If for some reason a selected applicant cannot accept the scholarship (i.e. receives a full scholarship from another source, or does not enroll in school) the funds revert to Whiteman Spouses' Club and will be awarded to an alternate applicant (if one is available), or the funds will be held over for award during the next scholarship awards process the following season.
2. Funds will be paid directly to the school where the student is enrolled, to be applied towards the student's account for tuition, fees, or other bona fide academic expenses. ***It is the responsibility of the student to provide Whiteman Spouses' Club with proof of enrollment and the address to which the funds should be sent.***
3. Scholarship award checks will be sent out on or about August 1, 2020. Funds must be used before June 30, 2021, or they will revert back to the issuing organization. Requests for extensions of this deadline must be made in writing to the scholarship committee
4. All submitted materials become the property of the scholarship committee and will be retained for one full year from the date of selection. All sponsor information will be kept confidential and used for no other purpose. At the end of that year, all applications and supporting documents will be destroyed.
5. Selection as a scholarship recipient automatically gives Whiteman Spouses' Club permission to use the student's name and photograph in any publicity releases.

I hereby authorize the Whiteman Spouses' Club scholarship committee and an independent selection panel of judges to examine the application that I have submitted. I understand that this application and supporting documents will be kept in strictest confidence and is required for purposes of scholarship consideration. I have not previously received a scholarship from the WSC, WOSC, or WESC. I certify that the information contained herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that my essay is entirely of my own effort. I also acknowledge that I have read and understand the policies and provisions as outlined on the application form and in the Statement of Understanding.

Applicants Full Name Printed: _____

Applicant's Full Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Essay Grading Rubric

Traits	<u>Score</u> 7 - 8 points	<u>Score</u> 5 - 6 points	<u>Score</u> 3 - 4 points	<u>Score</u> 1 - 2 points
Argument	Engages the reader with one clear, well focused topic. Information is clearly related to the topic. Main ideas are clear and well supported by detailed and accurate information.	Engages the reader with one clear, well focused topic. Information is related to the topic. Main ideas are clear but are not well supported by detailed information.	Attempts to engage the reader with the topic. Information stated is limited in relationship to the topic. Main idea and details are weak.	Little attempt to engage the reader. No topic or main idea. Information stated does not relate to the topic Relevant evidence and details are lacking..
Organization	Provides a creative engaging introduction stating the main topic; with an overview of the paper and a concluding paragraph that summarizes the thesis. Information is relevant and presented in a logical order with transitional expressions.	Provides an engaging introduction stating the main topic; with an overview of the paper and a concluding paragraph. Information is relevant; organization is clear; use of transitional expression.	Attempts a beginning and a conclusion; the main topic is stated. Organization may be hampered by minimal details and weak transitional expressions.	There is no clear introduction or conclusion and the main topic is not stated. Organization is lacking and there are no transitional expressions.
Voice	The author's purpose of writing is very clear. The writing shows a clear sense of audience.	The author's purpose of writing is somewhat clear. The writing shows a sense of audience.	The author's purpose of writing is ambiguous. The writing shows little sense of audience.	The author's purpose of writing is unclear. Writing shows no sense of audience.
Sentence fluency and word choice	Demonstrates consistent variety and complexity of sentence structure. Uses precise and vivid words and phrases. Message is clear	Demonstrates some variety and complexity of sentence structure. Uses adequate words and phrases. Message is clear.	Demonstrates understandable but short and repetitive sentences. Lacks variety and complexity. Uses limited word choice; message is dull and unclear.	Demonstrates awkward choppy and run-on sentences. No variety or complexity. Uses dull, repetitive word choices; message is confusing.
Grammar, Mechanics, & Spelling	Spelling, capitalization, punctuation, paragraphing and grammar are completely free of errors Sentences are well constructed and have varied structure and length.	Spelling, capitalization, punctuation, paragraphing and grammar are mostly free of errors. Most sentences are well constructed and have varied structure and length.	Spelling, capitalization, punctuation, paragraphing and grammar contain some errors. Most sentences are well constructed but have similar structure and/or length.	Spelling, capitalization, punctuation, paragraphing and grammar contain multiple errors. Sentences sound awkward, are distractingly repetitive or difficult to understand.