English Language Learning Foundation Inc.

Helping English language learners become successful in their academic lives while honoring their cultural identities.

ELL Foundation Scholarship Application 2023

All information in this application is confidential.

The purpose of the English Language Learning Foundation Scholarship is to promote and foster educational opportunities for English language learners who have a desire to continue their higher education at area accredited colleges and universities. The Foundation will provide scholarships worth $500- $2,000 to deserving EL students for the 2023-2024 academic year. Disbursement of these scholarships will be for the Fall Semester 2023. **All sections of this application must be completed in order to be considered for a scholarship.** Students may reapply annually for this scholarship. This application is due by ==**Friday, January 13, 2023**==. Applications will not be considered after the due date. All information on this form will remain confidential. Please type or print neatly.

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be considered for the ELL Foundation Scholarship Program, the application must:

1. Be an English language learner, defined as students whose native or home language is not English. All local EL students are eligible for a scholarship, regardless of immigration status.
2. Be a current resident of the Greater Cincinnati area (Hamilton County-OH, Clermont County-OH, Warren County-OH, Butler County-OH, Brown County- OH, Clinton County-OH, Kenton County- KY, Campbell County- KY, Boone County- KY, Grant County- KY, Bracken County-KY, Pendleton County- KY, Gallatin County-KY, Dearborn County-IN, Franklin County-IN, Ohio County-IN)
3. Have (1) applied and been accepted an accredited college or university or (2) be an undergraduate student at an accredited college or university, or (3) be enrolled in a two year community college program or in a trade program that when completed may result in a license or permit to practice in the given trade;
4. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in high school/ college (or 3.5 on a 5.0 scale), or GED standard average score of 650 or higher;
5. Have completed 5 hours of community service during 2022 with a local nonprofit organization. If you were not able to complete your hours due to the pandemic, you may submit a community service promise form instead, and then turn in your service hour validation form separately. If you need help finding a service site, you can go to https://cincinnaticares.org/ or https://www.uwgc.org/get-involved/volunteer.

Application Requirements

Please check each box to make sure you have included all the application requirements. All the items below must be submitted in order to be considered for a scholarship:

- ☐ This application completed in full
- ☐ Community service validation form signed by a staff member from a local nonprofit (this form is included at the end of this application) OR the community service promise form
- ☐ A high school/ college/ university/ GED transcript
- ☐ At least one letter of recommendation from a high school teacher, community leader, or college professor/ staff member
- ☐ An essay of no more than two pages, double spaced, addressing the following prompt: How will your heritage/ background, academic achievements, and personal qualities (ability to overcome challenges, motivation, leadership, and potential) help you to graduate from college, reach your career goals, and become a responsible leader in the community?
- ☐ A letter of acceptance to a college/ university (*for high school applicants only*).

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Selection Criteria

Scholarship applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:
1. Financial need and demographic information as demonstrated in this application
2. Degree of community involvement, as seen in the community service validation form
3. The quality of the essay
4. The quality of the recommendation letter
5. Cumulative grade point average

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I. Personal and Demographic Information

Applicant's full name: _____

Address (city/ state/ zip code): _____

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Cell phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Primary email: _____ Secondary email: _____

Date of birth (month/ date/ year): _____

Birthplace: _____
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Race/ Ethnicity: _____

Home or Heritage Language (other than English): _____

High school name: _____

Year of high school graduation: _____

Number of family members in household: _____

Gross annual household income in 2021 (*of those residing in the United States*): _____

Please check all that apply:

☐ First generation college student (your parents did not complete a bachelor's or associate degree)

☐ First generation immigrant (you were not born in the United States) Pending asylum status

☐ Asylum/ refugee status (I-94, I-9, other)

☐ Undocumented/ DACA student

☐ Other: _____

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Have you been admitted to a college or university?   □ Yes □No

If yes, please identify the colleges/ universities that have admitted you (from most likely to attend to least likely to attend):

    1. _____

    2. _____

    3. _____

If no, please list the top three colleges that you will be applying to for admittance (from most likely to attend to least likely to attend):

    1. _____

    2. _____

    3. _____

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II. High School Seniors Only

Full parent(s)/ guardian(s) name(s): _____

Parent/ guardian's address: _____

Parent/ guardian's phone number: _____

III. Current College Students Only

Name of college/ university: _____

Are you a full-time student?   □ Yes □No

College/ university ID or last four of social security number (if applicable): _____

Current status: □ Freshman   □Sophomore   □ Junior   □Senior

IV. Special Circumstances

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Please indicate any special circumstances which you feel will assist the selection committee in determining your eligibility that you have not addressed in your essay:

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I certify that the information in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I will notify the English Language Learning Foundation Inc. if there are any changes/ corrections that need to be made to this form.

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

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Once you have completed this application, please mail to:

English Language Learning Foundation Inc.
P.O. Box 19975
Cincinnati, OH 45219

All scholarship recipients are required to complete at least 5 hours of community service during 2022 or 2023. If you completed your hours, fill out the Community Service Validation Form.

If you were unable to complete your 5 hours of community service in 2022 due to the pandemic, fill out the Community Service Promise Form instead. Students who turn in the Community Service Validation Promise Form will be required to validate their 5 hours of community service prior to disbursement of their scholarship award. All hours must be completed by 06/01/2023.

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ELL Foundation Scholarship Application 2023 Community Service Validation Form

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I, _____, validate that _____ has
(name of nonprofit representative)   *(scholarship applicant)* completed
_____ hours of community service in 2022 with the following nonprofit organization:
_____.

Signature: _____   Date: _____

Institution:_____

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ELL Foundation Scholarship Application 2023 Community Service Promise Form

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I, _____, promise that I will complete at least 5 hours of community
(scholarship applicant)

service in 2022, 2023 prior to 06/01/2023 in order to keep my scholarship eligibility. I understand that I

must validate my 5 hours of community service prior to the disbursement of my scholarship award.

Signature: _____   Date: _____

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