



**Watkins Glen High School**  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## Scholarship Award Application

### Scholarship Purpose

- To recognize ability
- To acknowledge achievement
- To identify quality of service
- To reward character and integrity
- To assist in attaining educational goals

### Eligibility Criteria

- Watkins Glen High School Senior
- Accepted to institution of higher education
- Demonstrated financial need
- Completed application, including two letters of reference

### Selection Process

- Review of applications and attachments by the Watkins Glen High School Alumni Association Scholarship Awards Committee
- Personal interviews scheduled and conducted
- Determination of recipient shall be based upon financial, academic, and individual qualifications
- Determination shall be heavily weighted towards financial need. While academic success may be a critical element, the committee may consider students who: **1)** are on a “non-traditional” track **2)** are not eligible for other financial aid **3)** are in great financial need and display outstanding potential

### Award

- Written notification to scholarship recipients (noting amount, date/place of award)
- Monetary award, to be used for education purposes (tuition, fees, books, supplies), to be paid by check to recipient and student accounts office - and sent to chosen educational institution

### Recognition

- Award will be made during the Watkins Glen High School Alumni Association portion of the Alumni Banquet
  - Note: Scholarship recipients are required to attend the Alumni Banquet to receive award
- A public notebook with presentation photo, copy of award certificate, application (without financial and personal references page) and letter of notification will be maintained by the Association

## **Application Requirements**

- The following should be emailed to **watkinsglenalumni@gmail.com** by May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Completed Application (Sections 1-6 below)
  - Two (2) Letters of reference
    - Letters should be from individuals who can speak about the student's activities, talents, character, and motivation
    - Letters may be sent directly to the committee by the references, confidentially, if so desired. Else, letters should be attached along with application by the applicant
  - A copy of the student's acceptance letter to an institution of higher learning

## **Section 1 – Applicant Contact Information**

**Applicant Full Legal Name**

**Applicant Preferred Name (if applicable)**

**Applicant Address**

**Applicant Phone Number**

**Is this a cell phone?**

**If YES, is it okay to send text messages related to this application?**

**Applicant Email Address**

**Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) Contact Information:**

**Full Name(s)**

**Address**

**Phone:**

**Is this a cell phone?**

**If YES, is it okay to send text messages related to this application?**

## Section 2 – Academic Information\*

**I will graduate with the Watkins Glen High School Class of**

**Grade Point Average**

**Class Rank**

\* The submission of this application shall constitute authorization for the release of academic data by the Watkins Glen High School Guidance Department, or other department having such data, to the Watkins Glen High School Alumni Association Selection Committee

## Section 3 – Activities & Accomplishments

Please share activities in which you have participated, and achievements/honors you have received, during your High School years (grades 9-12):

**School (Academic & Extracurricular)**

**Community**

**Employment (or other personal endeavors)**

## Section 4 – Essays

Please use the space below (or attach a separate document) to complete **ALL 3** essay topics.

**Essay Topic #1:** Describe a meaningful school or community service activity in which you have participated. Did certain individuals or experiences contribute to your involvement in this activity? How did this activity benefit others? How did it benefit you?

**Essay Topic #2:** What do you plan to study? What has motivated you to pursue furthering your education? What personal and career goals do you have?

**Essay Topic #3:** What do you do in your spare time?

## Section 5 – Financial Statement

**NOTE: This information is confidential and will not be shared beyond the Watkins Glen High School Alumni Association Selection Committee**

### **PART A: Personal Data**

Total Number of household members supported by Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Total Number of dependent children in college (upcoming school year)

Any other considerations the applicant wishes the committee to consider regarding household makeup and/or parent & guardian status or circumstances

Parent(s) / Legal Guardian(s) adjusted gross annual income (most recent tax year)

**PART B: Estimated Higher Education Expenses**

Schools for higher education you are considering, plan to attend, or have been accepted to

1. Estimated Tuition & Fees (Year 1):
2. Estimated Room & Board (Year 1):
3. Estimated Books & Supplies (Year 1):
4. Estimated Transportation & Other Personal Expenses (Year 1):
5. **Estimated Total Expense (Sum of lines 1-4):**

**PART C: Estimated Resources**

6. Estimated Parent/Guardian(s) contribution to Total Expense:
7. Estimated Student contribution to Total Expense:
8. Estimated other financial assistance toward Total Expense:
9. **Estimated Total Resources Available (Sum of lines 6-8):**

**PART D: Summary of Estimated Need**

10. **Estimated Total Expense (Part B, Line 5):**
11. **Estimated Total Resources (Part C, Line 9):**
12. **Estimated Total Need (line 10 minus line 11):**

## Section 6 – Applicant Certification & Student Checklist

I Certify that the information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

**Applicant Signature:**

**Date:**

### Applicant Checklist

Applicant has reviewed purpose, criteria, and selection process

Applicant has completed Section 1 (Applicant Contact Information)

Applicant has completed Section 2 (Academic Information)

Applicant has completed Section 3 (Activities & Accomplishments)

Applicant has completed Section 4 (Essays)

Please Check if you submitted essays via a separate document

Applicant has completed Section 5 (Financial Statement)

Applicant has completed Section 6 (Applicant Certification & Checklist)

Applicant has attached/submitted “verification of acceptance” documentation received from an institution of higher learning.

Applicant has attached/submitted two letters of recommendation (both from adults).

In case we need to contact these individuals for clarification, please include name, phone number, and email address of your two references below: