



2026 LLSSA Youth Scholarship Program Application Packet

Presented by the Louisiana Life Safety & Security Association

Award Amounts:

- 1st Place: \$2,500
- 2nd Place: \$1,000

Deadline: March 1, 2026

Submit To:

Email: director@llssa.org (Preferred)
Mail: LLSSA Youth Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 7, Livingston, LA 70754
Phone: 337-886-7282

Louisiana Life Safety & Security Association (LLSSA)

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Program Overview

The LLSSA Youth Scholarship Program supports graduating high school seniors whose parents or legal guardians actively serve in Louisiana as full-time or volunteer police officers, firefighters, EMTs, or paramedics. Over \$80,000 in scholarships have been awarded through this program.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Be 15–20 years old and a graduating high school senior from an accredited high school, homeschool, or military/boarding school within Louisiana.
- Be accepted to attend an accredited college, university, or trade/technical school.
- Have a parent or legal guardian who is:
 - A full-time, active-duty public sector police officer, firefighter, paramedic, or EMT (volunteers included).
 - Employed within Louisiana or within a 100-mile radius of the applicant's school.
 - Not an administrative staff member, reserve officer, part-time or retired personnel, federal agent (e.g., FBI, DHS), or deceased.

Required Materials

- Completed and signed application form.
- Typed 500–1000-word essay (see topic below).
 - Note: No form of artificial intelligence (AI) may be used to assist in writing the essay. Essays found to violate this rule will be disqualified.
- Official school transcripts (including GPA on a 4.0 scale or 0–100% scale).
- SAT and/or ACT scores (may be included in transcript).
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Proof of parent/guardian's public safety employment (ID copy or letter from supervisor).
- Resume listing community service, academic awards, extracurricular activities, hobbies, and work history.
- Verified community service form(s).
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or community leader.

Essay Topic

“What it means to me to have my parent or guardian involved in securing our community.”

Your essay should be original and reflective of your personal experience. Use specific examples and demonstrate how your parent/guardian's public service has influenced your character. Essays must be typed and follow grammar and punctuation conventions.

Judging Criteria (100 points total)

- GPA: 20 points
- SAT/ACT Scores: 20 points
- Essay: 20 points
- Community Service (verified): 25 points
- Extracurriculars/Awards: 15 points

Submission Notes

- Email submission is preferred. Students must receive a confirmation email to ensure their application was received.
- If you do not receive confirmation within 3 business days, you must follow up.
- Mailed applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2026.
- All submissions become the property of LLSSA and may be used in publicity.
- Winners agree to participate in interviews and provide a photograph for press use.
- Scholarship funds will be issued via check payable to the school named in the student's acceptance letter.

Non-Discrimination Policy

LLSSA does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, or age in its scholarship selections. All applicants are considered equally, based solely on eligibility and merit.

Application Form

Please type or clearly print all the information. The form must be filled out completely and signed.

Applicant

Name of Applicant: _____
Last Name First Name Middle

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

High School Information

Name of Highschool (write "home school" if applicable)

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

Year of HS Graduation _____ GPA through 11th grade _____ Class Ranking _____

Note: GPA must be on a standard 4.0 scale or based on a grade percentage of 1-100. If your official high school transcript does not include a GPA in one of these formats, then a method of conversion must be supplied (weighted GPA scores accepted).

Test Scores

Highest SAT Scores: Verbal _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Total: _____

Highest Act Scores: _____ Composite Score: _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name of mother, father or guardian employed by the police, fire or EMT.

Last Name

First Name

Middle

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

Precinct or Fire House _____ Badge Number _____

Precinct Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Direct Supervisor _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

School Counselor Information

Home schooled students should list contact information of the person who can best verify schoolwork and extracurricular activity.

High School Counselor _____
Last Name First Name Middle

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

Street Address *If not same as the school* _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Applicant Certification

I certify that all information provided in this application is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge. My parents or guardian have reviewed and signed this application, verifying the accuracy of the information contained herein.

I understand and agree to abide by all rules and terms of the LLSSA Youth Scholarship Program. I authorize the Louisiana Life Safety & Security Association (LLSSA) to verify any part of this application, including academic records and the employment status of my parent or guardian.

I affirm that the essay submitted is my original work and has not been generated or assisted by any form of artificial intelligence (AI). I understand that any violation of this policy will result in disqualification.

I acknowledge that all application materials, including essays and supporting documents, become the property of LLSSA and will not be returned. I also agree to participate in reasonable publicity efforts if selected as a scholarship recipient.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Community Service Verification Form

You may use this form or provide copies of current forms you have as long as the same information is provided.

Name	
Place of Service	
Address	
Contact & Phone	

Date of Service	Number of Hours	Description of what you did while there

I witness that the above student has completed the community service described above.

Signature of Contact Person _____ Date _____