Summer Scholars Support Checklist

Summer Scholars Support is a need- and merit-based scholarship opportunity for California high school students 15 years of age or older and enrolled in grades 9th – 11th. The application opens February 1. The deadline is 5pm PDT, March 15. Applicants will be notified of award announcements via email on Monday, April 22 by 5pm PDT.

To apply for the scholarship, please complete the steps below.

☐ **STEP 1**: Complete the registration form for a Summer Course, the Summer College Immersion Program (SCIP), or a Precollege Summer Institute. Record your five-digit registration number.

☐ **STEP 2**: Finish registration by paying the registration fee.

☐ SCIP and Precollege Summer Institutes are by admission only and can take 2-3 weeks to provide you with an admission decision. Please be sure to leave enough time to apply for your program and learn of your admission BY the March 15 scholarship application deadline. You will not be able to complete Step 2 until admission is granted.

☐ The registration fee will be refundable for those who can no longer participate if they are not selected as a recipient of the scholarship.

☐ If you are unable to pay the registration fee, it may be deferred for students who meet the eligibility requirements for Deferred Deposit. If this applies to you, please skip Step 2 and apply for Deferred Deposit after submitting your Summer Scholars Online Application.

☐ **STEP 3**: Finish the Summer Scholars Online Application and upload all required application documents listed below by 5PM, March 15:

☐ Unofficial copy of your most recent transcript;

☐ Student resume;

☐ Copy of your parent(s) or guardian(s) first two pages of the 1040 tax form for 2023 (Black out all social security #s). If 2023 taxes haven’t been filed yet, you may provide the 1040 tax form for 2022;

☐ A PDF or Word document with your answers to 3 of the 6 questions below. Answer the questions in 250 to 300 words per question. Please include the question you have selected above each answer.

- Describe a pivotal experience in your education and how it has shaped the person you are today and/or your goals for the future.
- Describe a significant challenge you have faced. How has it affected you and what steps have you taken to overcome it?
- What class or extracurricular activity has had the biggest impact on you, and why?
- Why are you interested in the program and/or course you have registered for, and what do you hope to get out of it?
- Describe a community you are a part of. Why it is important to you, and what role have you had in that community?
- What issue are you passionate about, and why? How have you acted on that passion?
How to Apply

Fill out program registration form.

Does your program have application requirements for admission?

YES

Wait to receive email notifying you of the admission decision (can take 2 weeks).

OPTION 1
Pay $350 registration fee to secure space in program.

Prepare all scholarship application materials listed on page 1.

Upload all application materials and complete scholarship application by March 15.

Finish program registration by choosing one of the below options:

OPTION 2
Move directly to preparing all scholarship application materials listed on page 1.

Complete scholarship application, indicating on the form you will be applying for deferred deposit.

Follow instructions in the scholarship confirmation email to apply for deferred deposit.

Wait to receive email notifying deferred deposit was successfully approved.

Note: If submitting your scholarship application in February 1-14, please be sure to complete the program registration form when it opens on February 15. You must enroll in the same program you stated on your scholarship application. Failure to complete registration for your program or failure to notify us of a switch to a different program will result in disqualification of your scholarship application.