

# Air Force Officers' Spouses' Club of Washington, D. C.

## Current College Student Scholarship Application 2020-2021

### **General Information/Criteria:**

1. The Air Force Officers' Spouses' Club (AFOSC) offers merit-based scholarships to eligible dependent children who are current college students pursuing undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university during the 2020-2021 academic school year.
2. Scholarships are awarded in accordance with the AFOSC Scholarship Committee Policies and Procedures.
3. Selection criteria may include all or some of the following: academic achievement; standardized test scores; extracurricular activities (e.g. school and/or community athletics, volunteering, work experience, clubs, etc.); work history, citizenship, leadership roles, awards/honors, character references and personal essay.
4. The applicant is responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information and official documents.
5. Awards are granted without regard to USAF member's rank or applicant's race, gender, ethnicity, religion, or disability.
6. Applications must be postmarked no later than **2 March 2020**. No other delivery method will be accepted (e.g. hand-delivered, e-mailed or faxed.) Incomplete packets will be deemed ineligible. Please retain a copy of all documents; application packets will not be returned.
7. Applicants will be notified by email of the results.
8. The AFOSC Scholarship Committee invites individuals with strong academic backgrounds from the community to judge the application packets. Judges and their dependents are not eligible to apply for the scholarship. Judges may not be members of the AFOSC.
9. Please see our FAQ page at the end of the application packet. Please e-mail additional questions to [AFOSCScholarships@gmail.com](mailto:AFOSCScholarships@gmail.com)

### **Eligibility: Each applicant must meet the following requirements:**

1. Applicants must be **currently** enrolled in an accredited college or university and will be attending an accredited college or university during the 2020-2021 academic school year.
2. Each applicant must be a legal military dependent child of an active duty, reserve, guard, retired, MIA/POW, deceased officer or enlisted member of the United States Air Force.
3. As of May 31, 2020, applicants must be at least 17 years old, and not older than 22 years old.
4. Applicants for academic awards must have a minimum cumulative **2.75** GPA based on a 4.0 scale.
5. The AFOSC Scholarship Committee members and their dependents are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.
6. Applicants must live in the National Capitol Region to include Stafford County to apply.

### **Limitations:**

1. Scholarship funds are to be used during the 2020-2021 academic year for undergraduate studies only.
2. All funds received shall be applied to tuition and/or associated university fees/costs administered by an accredited college or university. These costs may include books, fees, room or board, but may not be used to cover fees from previous academic years, penalty fees or disenrollment fees.
3. Payment of scholarship awards will be made directly to the selected school. The recipient **must** provide the Scholarship Committee with the name and address of the school the recipient will attend. This information, along with the **Enrollment Verification Form** must be postmarked by **1 October 2020**, or the award will be considered unclaimed.
4. The scholarship award, when combined with other scholarships, must not exceed the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board for the academic year. Any remaining funds at the end of the school year must be returned to the AFOSC Welfare Fund.
5. Students accepting an appointment to a military service academy, a 4 year full ROTC scholarship (most only pay for the academic portion) or a full scholarship (including the GI Bill) which pay 100% of the student's tuition, fees, books, room and board become ineligible for this award. Any applicant awarded an AFOSC Scholarship and intends to attend a military service academy or intends to use a full scholarship, must notify the AFOSC Scholarship Committee immediately and forfeit the AFOSC Scholarship. The AFOSC Scholarship will, in turn, be awarded to an alternate scholarship recipient.
6. Recipients who accept a scholarship from another military officers'/enlisted spouses' organization become ineligible for the AFOSC scholarship and must notify the AFOSC Scholarship committee immediately and forfeit the award. The AFOSC scholarship will, in turn, be awarded to an alternant scholarship recipient.
7. Prior recipients of an AFOSC Scholarship are not eligible to apply for or receive an AFOSC Scholarship for the 2020-2021 academic school year.

**Please keep this sheet for your records**

## AFOSC COLLEGE STUDENT 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*The AFOSC is a private, nonprofit organization.*

*It is not part of the DOD or any of its components and has no governmental status.*

### **Application Instructions:**

1. **Print completed application or type**, using only available spaces on this form. Do not use back of form. Do not print using double sided. Do not attach a resume or pictures.
2. It is important that applicants provide any and all qualifying information in the application categories (Educational, Employment, Community/Volunteer Service, Community/Club Activities, High School Activities, Awards/Honors.) Scholarships are awarded based on total points. Please attach additional data sheets as necessary to gain maximum points.
3. Mail the completed application and any supporting documents to:  
**AFOSC of Washington DC**  
**Attn: Scholarship Committee**  
**P.O. Box 1723**  
**Ft. Myer, VA 22211**
3. Your complete packet must be postmarked no later than **2 March 2020**.

**This application becomes complete and valid only when all of the pages listed below are delivered. Ideally, all materials will be submitted at the same time.** Each page of the application must include the last four digits of the applicant's SSN. Copy only the pages indicated and attach. Do not staple, but paper clip together in the following prescribed order:

- Personal Data Sheet
- Proof of Air Force Dependency. One of the following must be provided:
  - Dependent Verification Letter (can be obtained from MPF). Must have authorizing signature.
  - Photocopy of current orders (Active Duty only) with sponsor's SS# blacked out. Dependent's name must be listed.
  - Retirement orders and additional documentation with dependent's name (eg: copy of valid dependent ID card)
  - DD1172 form MUST be recently signed by applicant and approving authority-Verified in DEERS.
- One copy** of the Educational and Employment Data Sheet(s)
- One copy** of the Community/Volunteer Service and Community Club Activities Data Sheets.
- One copy** of the College Activities and Awards Data Sheet(s)
- Two copies** of the Essay written by the applicant on the following question:

**“How has your experience as a military dependent shaped who you are as a person and what you want to do in the future?”**

- Type essay, including a title, on 8½" x 11" white bond paper, 1- inch margins, 12pt Times New Roman, double-spaced, 250-300 words in length. Place your SSN (Last 4 ONLY ) in the upper right corner of every page and your word count at the end of the essay. **DO NOT use your name, school, position, or other identifiers in the essay.**
  - Judging criteria include: ideas, originality, mechanics, technical (following the given directions), vocabulary, organization, and overall impression of the essay.
- Official college transcript** supporting all educational data and documenting your cumulative GPA.
  - Unofficial copy of high school transcript.**
  - Copy of SAT or Composite ACT Scores.** College board print out will suffice.
  - College Advisor Signature Page** (page 7)
  - One reference letter** from a person who knows you well. May not be written by a family member.
  - Certification Letter** (page 8 of application)

### **KEEP THIS SHEET FOR YOUR RECORDS**

**Mail your application to AFOSC Scholarships, P.O. Box 1723, Ft. Myer, VA 22211**  
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<b>Personal Data Disclosure</b>
<b>PRINCIPLE PURPOSES:</b> To facilitate award of scholarship funds to education centers and determine eligibility.
<b>ROUTINE USES:</b> Information may be disclosed to federal, state and local education institutions for the purpose of allocating awards to scholarship recipient accounts; the AFOSC Scholarship Committee for accounting purposes, and to verify military dependent eligibility. Applications are kept on file for one year and then shredded.

**PERSONAL DATA SHEET**

<b>APPLICANT'S INFORMATION</b>	
NAME (last, first, middle)	
Applicant's Last four (SSN):	
Street Address:	Name and Address of College Attending:
City/State:	
ZIP:	Applicant's USAF ID Card Expiration Date:
Home Phone Number:	Cell Phone:
E-mail address:	
<b>SPONSOR'S INFORMATION</b>	
Sponsor's Eligibility Category: (Check One)	
Active Duty      Retired      Deceased      Guard      Reserve      POW/MIA	
Sponsor's Name	USAF Rank/Grade
Sponsor's Organization	Sponsor's last four (SSN)
Organization Address	Duty Phone Number:
Current Mailing Address (if different than applicant's)	E-mail Address:
Home Phone Number	Sponsor's ID Card Expiration Date

How did you hear about our scholarship? Google, Facebook, email, word of mouth, college advisor, other \_\_\_\_\_

Did you apply for another spouse club scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, which club? \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>EDUCATIONAL DATA</b>			
Colleges and high school attended (Name, City, State)	GPA	Dates Attended	
		From Mo/Yr	To Mo/Yr

**HIGH SCHOOL Scores: Please complete the following. Attach an unofficial copy of your high school transcript and a print out of your ACT/SAT scores. A College Board print out will suffice as long as your name is clearly visible. We will also take ACT/SAT scores that are listed on your HS transcript.**

SAT Critical Read:	Math:	Writing:	TOTAL:	ACT COMPOSITE:
Unweighted GPA:				
Weighted GPA:				
IB Diploma: Yes or No				

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<b>EMPLOYMENT DATA (During College)</b> List most recent employment first. Include employment hours through 31Jan 2020.			
Job Description (Include Name, City, State as applicable)	Estimated Total Hours	Dates employed	
		From Mo/Yr	To Mo/Yr
Eg: Pizza Hut Store #125, Hostess/Wait staff, John Smith MGR, Alexandria, VA	200	6/2014	Present
Babysitting self employed, Brown, White and Thomas families, Springfield, VA	150	Sept/2013	Present

**TOTAL HOURS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER SERVICE Fresh, Soph, Jr, college only.</b> List volunteer work with service, religious, and other community organizations. Verification of service may be required. List most recent service first. <b>Do not include HS activities.</b>				
<b>Organization</b> (Name, City, State)	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Estimated Total Hours</b>	<b>Dates volunteered</b>	
			From Mo/Yr	To Mo/Yr
<b>EG:</b> Habitat for Humanity, Sam Smith, Norman, OK	Built 10 homes	200	June 2015	August 2016
Mission trip, UMUC Alexandria, VA Mike Brown	Built water wells Haiti	80	June 2015	June 2015
Red Cross, OU Medical Center, Lisa Hoover	Blood Drive	15	Sept 2015	Sept 2015

**TOTAL Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMUNITY CLUB/ACTIVITIES Fresh, Soph, and Jr years of college only.** List non-school athletics, clubs or activities. Verification of participation may be required. List most recent first, do not include HS activities.  
**C-Captain      P-President      T-Treasurer      M-Member      O- Please state position**  
**CC- Co-Captain      VP-Vice-President      S-Secretary**

<b>Organization</b> (Name, City, State)	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Dates Participated</b>	
		From Mo/Yr Fall 2016 – To Mo/Yr Fall 2019	
Sunnylane Baptist Church Choir, OKC, OK	M-Choir Member	9-15	Present
American Business Women's Association, OKC, OK	Secretary	9-15	Present
Cub Scout Den Leader, Pack 1076 OKC, OK	O-Den Leader	9-15	Present

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**College Advisor Signature Page**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>ADVISORS PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING: (Attach official college transcript to complete the application)</b>	
Major:	Minor:
College GPA:	<b>Advisor Name:</b>
<b>Advisor Signature:</b>	Date:
Advisor Email:	

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**CERTIFICATION LETTER**

I further certify that should I accept an Air Force Officers' Spouses' Club (AFOSC) Scholarship Award, I will abide by the following conditions:

1. Scholarship funds are to be used within the 2019-2020 academic year for undergraduate studies.
2. All funds received shall be applied to tuition and/or associated university costs administered by an accredited college or university. These costs may include books, fees, room or board but may not be used for past or current penalties or disenrollment fees.
3. I will have until **5 May 2020** to complete, sign and postmark a notice/acceptance of the award. In failing to do so, I will forfeit the award and it will, in turn, be awarded to an alternate applicant.
4. As a scholarship recipient, I must submit (postmarked) the name and address of the school I will attend for the 2020-2021 academic year along with the **Enrollment Verification Form** to the scholarship committee **NLT 1 October 2020**.
5. After receiving the notice of acceptance of award letter, and the Enrollment Verification Form, the scholarship award, along with a cover letter with the terms of the scholarship, will be mailed directly to the college or university.
6. The scholarship award, when combined with other scholarships, must not exceed the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board for the academic year. Any remaining funds must be returned to the AFOSC Welfare Fund as soon as possible.
7. If I accept an appointment to a military service academy, receive a full four year ROTC scholarship (most only pay for the academic portion), or a scholarship (including the GI Bill) which pays 100% of the student's tuition, books, room and board and academic fees, I will be ineligible for this AFOSC scholarship award.
8. If I accept a scholarship from another military officers' /enlisted spouses' organization, I will be ineligible for this AFOSC scholarship award.
9. I am a responsible citizen in good standing in the school and the community.
10. It is my responsibility to notify the AFOSC Scholarship Committee of any change of status (e.g., change of schools, change in address, etc.) Failure to do so may result in the forfeiture of my scholarship award.
11. Unclaimed funds as of **1 October 2020** revert to the AFOSC Welfare Fund.
12. If any of the above conditions are violated, scholarship funds must be returned to the AFOSC Welfare Fund.

I agree that my signature on this form will authorize the AFOSC Scholarship Chair to release this application, including GPA, reference letters, essays and transcript(s) to the Scholarship Committee, as needed.

I certify that all information in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and the essay is entirely my own effort.

**APPLICANT'S NAME:**

Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSOR'S NAME:**

Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Frequently Asked Questions:**

- 1. Is this scholarship only for officers? No, it is open to all ranks in the USAF.**
- 2. Do you have to live in the DC area to apply? You must live in the National Capitol Region or in the following surrounding counties listed on application form.**
- 3. My parent is in the Army, Navy, Marines or Coast Guard. Am I eligible to apply? No, this scholarship is only open to US Air Force dependents.**
- 4. My step parent is in the Air Force and I've lived with him/her for 7 years. Can I apply? No. You must be categorized as an Air Force dependent.**
- 5. My parent works as a civilian on an Air Force Base. Can I apply? No, you are not a USAF dependent.**
- 6. My parent served in the USAF for 7 years and got out. Am I eligible? No. Your parent is a proud USAF veteran, but you are no longer considered a dependent.**
- 7. If I've previously won for another spouse club (eg: Scott OSC, McConnell OSC) can I apply and win for AFOSC? Yes, you can, but not in the same year.**
- 8. If I've previously won a scholarship from AFOSC can I apply again in a different category? No. Once you've won one of our scholarships, you can not win again.**
- 9. Can I apply for several different spouse club scholarships in the same year? Absolutely. Although our rules state that you may only win one spouse club scholarship. If you win for two clubs in the same year, you'll have to accept one and decline the other.**
- 10. Can the check be written out to any other person/agency/landlord? No, the check will only be written to the University.**
- 11. Can I send in a print out of my college board ACT/SAT scores? Yes, as long as your first and last name is clearly visible on your print out.**
- 12. Will you let me know if my application arrives? No. We receive well over 100 applications each year and once the deadline has passed, we are busy processing the applications for judging. If you are concerned, please consider paying for tracking.**
- 13. How do you notify the applicants if they won? Recipients will be notified by email. Notifications will occur in late April.**
- 14. I'm a spouse and a college student, which application do I use? College applications are for USAF dependent children who are in college. Spouses will fill out the spouse application forms.**
- 15. Reference letters do not have to be sealed in an envelope. That's up to the author of the reference letter.**
- 16. We are a dual active duty family. Can my spouse apply? No, only non military spouses may apply.**
- Do not forget to include Fall 2019 semester grades. They must be included on your transcript.**

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