

NEW YORK STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION First Time College Applicant COVER PAGE
2027-2028 ACADEMIC YEAR

You must use the official 2027-2028 application if you are a college student applying for the NYSEA Scholarship Application for the FIRST time OR after missing a year of eligibility in the NYSEA category. It must be dated and signed by you and your parent(s) or guardian(s). In addition, the applicant must be a son/stepson or daughter/stepdaughter of an Elk member in good standing.

Please turn in your completed application to the Lodge in which your parent/stepparent is a member. ***Please include a copy of your parent(s) current Elks membership card.***

Miss
Applicant's Full Name: Mr. _____

Applicant's Home Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Parent Email: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

College you are attending:

Date you will graduate: _____

Please attach a copy of parents Elk Membership card when you submit this application.

Date Signature of Student

EACH APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE SPONSORING LODGE ON
OR BEFORE **December 15, 2026**. THE APPLICATION MUST BEAR AN OFFICIAL LODGE ENDORSEMENT AND SEAL.

This is to certify that at a regular Lodge session held on _____
Lodge No. _____ BPO Elks did endorse the scholarship application of _____
whose parent is a member in good standing in this Lodge.

Date: _____ Exalted Ruler: _____
Secretary: _____

Apply Lodge Scholarship Chairperson: _____
Seal Here Lodge & Lodge Number: _____



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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____

Parent Email: _____

Phone _____ Gender Male ☐ Female ☐

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Month Day Year City, State or Country

Name and Location of College(s) _____

SIGNATURES

By signing this application, you agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified from this contest. You agree to the use of your name and information contained within the application for advertising, promotional and publicity purposes without consent or compensation.

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Student)

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Mother/Stepmother/Guardian)

Date _____ Signed by _____
(Father/Stepfather/Guardian)

For Lodge Use Only—Must Have Lodge Endorsement to Be Accepted for Judging

Applicant must be the son/stepson or daughter/stepdaughter of an Elk member in good standing. Each application must be filed with the secretary of the Lodge where applicant's parent(s) is a member on or before **December 15, 2026**. The application must bear an official Lodge Endorsement and Seal.

This is to certify that at a regular Lodge session held on: _____ and Lodge No. _____ BPO Elks did endorse the scholarship application of _____ whose parent (IS) a member in good standing in said Lodge.

Date: _____ Signatures: Exalted Ruler: _____
Secretary: _____
Scholarship Chair: _____

If you have questions, contact the New York State scholarship chair, Jay Mason at jmason9237@gmail.com or call (cell) 315-263-1187.



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See the Instructions and guidelines page at the end of the application for complete details on assembling your application.

WORK EXPERIENCE

List jobs you have held between **September 1, 2023, and August 2, 2026**. Because the scholarship contest officially begins on August 1, 2025, only list work performed before that date. Start with the most recent and include work on a family farm, for a family business, or internship even if you were not paid. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section, and place the sheet behind this page. List approximate total hours worked, not average hours per week. Do not use acronyms. **You will receive zero points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Any hours listed as 'to present' or after August 2, 2026, will be disregarded.

Specific Nature of Work	Employer	Approximate Dates of Employment		Total Hours
		From	To	

GRAND TOTAL HOURS WORKED=_____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community service you performed between **September 1, 2023, and August 2, 2026**, starting with the most recent. Because the scholarship contest officially begins on August 1, 2026, only list service performed before that date. If necessary, attach a separate sheet structured identically to this section, and place the sheet behind this page. List approximate total hours, not average hours per week. Do not use acronyms. **You will receive zero points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.** Any hours listed as 'to present' or after August 2, 2026, will be disregarded.

Community Service Description	Organization	Total Hours	Still Participating (Y or N)

GRAND TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE=_____

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HONORS AND AWARDS

List scholastic, extracurricular, and civic honors and awards received during grades 9 through 12. Select the year received, state the nature of award (i.e. Girl Scout Gold Award), and select the level of recognition. **Please do not abbreviate names of awards**, as we may not understand their meanings. Include a brief description of each award on a separate sheet of paper. Feel free to explain, in 25 words or less, the purpose of the award and why you received it. If you list more honors and awards on a separate sheet, place the sheet directly behind this page.

Grade Level				Honor/Award	Level of Recognition			
9	10	11	12		School	Regional	National	International
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☐	☐	☐	☐		☐	☐	☐	☐
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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List your **principal** leadership roles and extracurricular activities, in the order of importance to you. State the name of the organization, years involved, hours-per-week commitment, leadership role, and responsibilities held in that role. Examples include, but are not limited to, student government, publications, debate, orchestra/band, varsity athletics, church groups, performing arts, service programs, etc. If you list more activities on a separate sheet, place the sheet directly behind this page.

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College Academic Record

Applicant: Please submit a copy of your most recent college transcript with this application.



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ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, prepare a typed essay of no more than 500 words on the following topic. The essay must be dated and signed by the applicant. Failure to do so will result in zero points in this section.

How do you define leadership? Using a leadership role from an extracurricular activity or community service activity you prioritize as being important to you, describe how you fulfilled your definition of leadership. Include specific examples of what you contributed, what you learned about yourself, and how the role has influenced your plans for the future.

COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

If you are unable to find the answer to your question on the following page, email Jay Mason at jmason9237gmail.com or call (cell) 315-263-1187.

Use this checklist to ensure that you are submitting all required items. Please arrange in the following order:

Completed Application. Three-hole punch your application, and place in a folder.

Copy of Parent Elks Membership Card

Essay (signed and dated).

Official Transcript of Grades

Copies of Exhibits. Optional. Up to 10 pages can be included, double-sided acceptable.



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Applications and all supporting documents must be in English or English translations. We highly recommend making photocopies of your application and supporting documentation. All applications become the property of the NYSEA and will not be returned.

ELIGIBILITY

This form is to be used by a college student who is the son/stepson or daughter/stepdaughter of an Elks member in good standing in the state of New York is eligible to apply AND is applying for the NYSEA Scholarship Award for the FIRST time OR after missing a year of eligibility in the NYSEA category.

COMPLETED APPLICATION

Your application must be in a folder with inside pockets and clasps.

Everything, except items in sealed envelopes, should be three-hole punched and placed in the clasps of the folder. The completed folder should include the application, essay, transcript and optional exhibits as applicable

EXHIBITS (OPTIONAL)

Exhibits are optional, supplemental material. Attach up to 10 pages of exhibits of achievement in scholarship, leadership, athletics, dramatics, community service or other activities. Exhibits may be double-sided. We emphasize quality of exhibits over quantity. Examples include: Newspaper articles in which you are featured, certificates of achievement in academics, music, drama, sports, service, etc., copies of awards.