

## Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs (AACCPA) Future Leaders Scholarship

Dear Student Applicant:

The Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs (AACCPA) is pleased to announce its new scholarship program for the 2022/2023 school year. The purpose of this award program is to provide financial assistance to honor students who demonstrate academic success, have shown leadership in their school community, and are pursuing their goal toward advanced education. This award is to be used by the student toward tuition, books, room and board, and other associated materials at the institution of their choice (including community college, four-year college or university, private trade, and technical institution). This award is offered as a one-time non-renewable scholarship and funds will be sent directly to the institution.

### Eligibility:

1. A graduating senior of a public high school in Anne Arundel County
2. Plan to attend a higher learning institution
3. Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5
4. Provide the endorsement of the sitting president of an AACPS school PTA/PTSA local unit in good standing. Students attending schools that are not PTAs/PTSAs should request the signature from the president of a PTA/PTSA school in your cluster.

### Selection Criteria: (Rating for Award applicants is based on a scale of 100%.)

1. Completed Application/eligibility Requirements (Completed Application, PTA endorsement, Academic Performance and School/Community Based Activities) - 25%
2. Reference Letters - 25%
3. Essay - 50%

### Procedure:

1. Complete the application; scholarship application packets will be accepted beginning *January 10th, 2023*. Email your packet to [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) with the subject: "AACCPA Future Leaders Scholarship Committee" or mail to:  
AACCPA Future Leaders Scholarship Committee  
Att: Vanessa Rivera  
831 Snow Valley Ln  
Odenton, MD 21113

**Deadline: Application must be postmarked prior to and received by March 24th, 2023 (NO EXCEPTIONS!)**

### Supporting Material required:

1. Completed 2022-2023 Award Application and Parts I, II, III & IV by the deadline date.
2. **Sealed** transcript of high school credits earned, including senior year 1st semester GPA. *Official school transcripts need to be mailed.* In lieu of a sealed transcript, please have your guidance counselor email your transcript to: [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) (Subject: [Applicant name Transcript] - AACCPA Future Leaders Scholarship) by March 24th, 2023.
3. Two **sealed** reference letters. Only one reference letter from each category will be accepted. (Family members may not be included as references). *Reference Letters need to be mailed.* Electronic submission of reference letters received directly from applicants will not be accepted. In lieu of a sealed reference letter, please have your sponsor(s) email your reference letter to: [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) (Subject: [Applicant name reference letter] - AACCPA Future Leaders Scholarship) by March 24th, 2023.

Receipt of applications will be acknowledged by email. Recipients of awards will receive notification by April 17th, 2023. Presentation of the award will take place at the Senior Awards event.

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**Disclosure:** AACCPA will keep all applicants' information confidential and will destroy all information once the winners are announced.

We look forward to your participation in this scholarship program. Best wishes for future success in your career goals.

### Packet Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ Part I: Cover Sheet/Application (typed)

\_\_\_\_\_ Part II: PTA Sponsorship

\_\_\_\_\_ Part III:

\_\_\_\_\_ A. Activities, Clubs, Organization Table

\_\_\_\_\_ B. Essay (Maximum 2-page typed)

\_\_\_\_\_ IV: Reference Cover Letter

\_\_\_\_\_ Reference Forms (only one letter from each category will be accepted for scoring)

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Transcripts (must be sealed)

Do not hesitate to contact me at [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns. Good luck to you and thank you for taking the time to introduce yourself to us as you complete this scholarship application.

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## Part I

### Cover Sheet/Application

I hereby apply for an Anne Arundel County Council of PTA's Inc. Future Leaders Scholarship for the 2022-2023 academic year with the intention to pursue a career in \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Last)

(First)

(Middle Initial)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

(City & Zip Code)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Student email address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Currently Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Parents/Guardians \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average (Minimum 2.5): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College(s) or Trade/Vocational/Technical School(s) to which you have applied and/or been accepted:

Names Of Colleges/Tech/Vocational Schools to which you applied?	Accepted? Yes/No/Pending

Initial and sign:

\_\_\_\_\_The information that I have included in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

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### Part II

**PTA Sponsorship Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*I verify that our PTA sponsors this scholarship applicant and that our PTA has met the standards of affiliation as defined in the bylaws of the Free State PTA.*

A local PTA meeting standards of affiliation is one that:

- a. Adhere to the purposes and basic policies of the National PTA and Free State PTA
- b. Have a minimum of ten (10) members
- c. Remit the national and state dues to the Free State PTA by the dates designated
- d. Remit by the required date the bonding, liability, and directors' and officers' insurance premiums to the carrier designated by Free State PTA
- e. Submit the names and contact information, including the phone number and email, for all elected officers to Free State PTA within two (2) weeks of election or appointment
- f. Submit a copy of the approved annual financial review to Free State PTA by October 31<sup>st</sup> of each year
- g. Submit updated and approved bylaws for review by Free State PTA every three (3) years
- h. Have an employer ID Number (EIN) from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on file with Free State PTA
- i. File the appropriate tax forms with the IRS by the required date and submit a copy to the Free State PTA within thirty (30) days of filing
- j. Maintain status as a corporation and have, as required by Maryland non-profit law, at a minimum a president, secretary and treasurer
- k. File all appropriate Maryland state forms with the appropriate state authorities by the required dates and submit a copy to the Free State PTA within thirty (30) days of filing
- l. Two officers, one of whom must be the treasurer, must attend annual financial training provided by Free State PTA or County/City Council PTA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of PTA Meeting Standards of Continuing Affiliation

\_\_\_\_\_  
County

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Sponsoring PTA Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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### Part III.

- A. List all activities, clubs, awards, athletic teams, youth groups, church groups, community services, etc. in which you have been an active member or participant.

Name of Activity/Organization/Club	9	10	11	12	Volunteer Work Performed	Leadership Position held	Awards or recognitions received

### Essay

- B. Please review the following information about PTA ideals. Whether or not your school is a PTA school, the expectation is that the inherent values of PTA are values that you subscribe to and have and will continue to encourage you to be successful and productive learner and citizen, with skills in leadership, participation, involvement, and scholarship.
- PTA values and promotes active involvement in school
  - PTA values student engagement in academics
  - PTA values and has a responsibility to participate in making decisions affecting policies, rules and regulations that impact children and youth
  - PTA values and encourages its members to work cooperatively with other groups to promote continuity and understanding of programs within the school and the community

In one cohesive and descriptive essay (maximum 2 pages), incorporate the following:

1. Describe any two school activities of which you are most proud and explain why? How have PTA values played a role in your academic career?
2. Describe any leadership roles you have held at school and in your community and how they have prepared you. What have you done to make your school and your community a better place?
3. State your career goals for the future, how you plan to achieve these goals and how this award will help you accomplish these goals

*Essays must be typed using Times New Roman, size 12, double-spaced and with one-inch borders*

### Part IV. Reference Cover Letter

**Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs (AACCPTA) Future Leaders Scholarship****TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT**

Enclose two (2) completed reference forms and letters, written specifically for this application. Only two letters will be accepted for scoring.

- First reference – Written by a member of your AACPS high school faculty (Teacher/Instructor, Principal/Administrator, or Counselor). Request your letters in a timely manner so that your packet is received by the deadline.
- Second reference –Written by a community (not AACPS faculty) volunteer leader unrelated to you and with whom you have volunteered (clergy, community leaders, recreation league coach, scout leaders, activity directors, employers, etc.) Cannot be a high school faculty/staff.

Provide contact information of your references:

**Reference #1 from your high school staff/faculty member**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference #2 from your community leader**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF/FACULTY MEMBER**

## Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs (AACCPA) Future Leaders Scholarship

### REFERENCE FORM #1 High School Staff/ Faculty Member

**Directions:** Return this form with a letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope directly to the applicant with name written across seal. If you wish to submit your reference letter **electronically**, please email to: [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) (Subject: [Applicant name reference letter] - AACCPA Future Leaders Scholarship) by **March 24th, 2023**. Please make sure to attach this form along with your letter of recommendation.

The purpose of this scholarship is to acknowledge the achievements of high school seniors for volunteer service in the school and community and to provide an incentive for students to continue their education.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

This student has applied to the Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs Future Leaders Scholarship. Please include this reference form and a separate letter of recommendation, which **MUST** be written specifically for this graduating high school senior scholarship application. Copies of recommendation letters for college are not acceptable. Attach the letter of recommendation, written on an additional sheet. Information provided will be considered confidential. Please limit the letter to one page.

In what capacity do you know the student:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Provide a description of each activity and the student's involvement. Give your evaluation of the abilities, attitudes and potential of the student and comments regarding the student's volunteer service, activities, achievements and personal qualifications.

Name of Faculty member: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMUNITY MEMBER

**Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs (AACCPTA) Future Leaders Scholarship****REFERENCE FORM #2 Community Member/Leader**

**Directions:** Return this form with a letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope directly to the applicant with name written across seal. If you wish to submit your reference letter **electronically**, please email to: [aaccptascholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aaccptascholarships@gmail.com) (Subject: [Applicant name reference letter] - AACCPTA Future Leaders Scholarship) by **March 24th, 2023**. Please make sure to attach this form along with your letter of recommendation.

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In what capacity do you know student:

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Provide a description of each activity and the student's involvement. Give your evaluation of the abilities, attitudes and potential of the student and comments regarding the student's volunteer service, activities, achievements and personal qualifications.

Name of Community Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Community position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

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Date