

## Saint John's Lodge #51

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

#### History and Purpose

The Saint John's #51 scholarship foundation was founded to offer scholarship support to students interested in continuing their education at a college or university. The number and amount of the scholarship awards can vary depending on the amount raised during the year.

#### Criteria

Recipients are selected according the following criteria:

- Applicants must be a graduating senior from a Texas high school within the jurisdiction of Saint John's #51 Lodge, or a current full time college undergraduate attendee. Masonic relationship is not required, but will be given first consideration when funds are limited.
- Recipients will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee and selections forwarded for final approval by the lodge. Recipients will be chosen from complete applications only and submitted by eligible students based on the following criteria:
  - a. Academic performance/potential - as indicated on transcripts and a letter of recommendation.
  - b. Proof of attending a Texas High School or attending an accredited University or college.
  - c. An essay on one of the topics listed in the attached instructions.

Essays shall be not less than 500 words, double spaced, with proper source attribution for all references. submitted in hard copy or as a properly formatted text file accompanying the application. Essays shall be submitted in American Psychological Association 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, or Chicago Manual of Style publishing formats. Qualifying essays will be judged on the following criteria:

- Being on topic
- Content and Message
- Originality
- Presentation and Structure

#### Terms of Award

Saint John's #51 Scholarship Foundation requires that all students comply with the terms of the award offered at the time of their acceptance of the scholarship.

DEADLINE:

Application Deadline: 2 March, 2024

(Applications MUST be received by deadline date to be considered for award.)

(Awards Dinner and presentations for recipients will be held on 25 April, 2024 at 6:00 pm at our Lodge located at

1811 N. Ridge Road  
McKinney, TX 75071  
(972) 562-2176

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE ABOVE DEADLINE TO:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
Saint John's Lodge #51  
1811 N. Ridge Road  
McKinney, TX 75071

Or, e-mail attached manuscript to: [scholarship@saintjohns51.com](mailto:scholarship@saintjohns51.com)

LIST OF FRIENDS OR RELATIVES WHO ARE MASONS

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Relative ( ) Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Friend ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Lodge Name \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Location \_\_\_\_\_

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All applications for scholarships MUST be submitted as a complete set of papers. Application packets must include the following:

- Completed scholarship application form (included in this packet)
- Completed scholarship agreement form (included in this packet)
- Completed personal information release form (included in this packet)
- An essay from one of the following questions. Explain how you might implement AI or something that you have learned from the essay in your daily life or leadership style.
  1. How has the rise of AI technology impacted various industries, and what are the potential benefits and drawbacks of its integration into these sectors?
  2. What are the ethical considerations surrounding the use of AI in decision-making processes, and how might government regulations help ensure responsible AI deployment?
  3. What are some international perspectives on AI regulation, and how can governments collaborate to create a unified approach to governing AI technology?
- (Please attach a separate sheet. Your essay should be 500 words or longer.)  
Please note: if it is discovered that an AI Chatbot was used to write or assist in the completion of the Essay the application will be disqualified.
- A copy of your High School or college transcript showing the most recent semester completed and your CGPA (this does NOT need to be an “official” transcript). An official transcript with a high school graduation date will need to be presented to the scholarship committee prior to disbursement of funds.
- A letter of recommendation from a teacher or administrator at your graduating high school or college program.
- A list of relatives who are current or past members of a Masonic lodge, if applicable. (This is for consideration of scholarships that may be designated for Masons)

PLEASE KEEP THIS COVER SHEET

Use it as a checklist to be sure you send all required materials.

We reserve the right NOT to process applications found to be incomplete.

### Application Deadlines:

Application Deadline: 2 March, 2024

**Awards dinner and scholarship presentations will be held at Saint John’s Lodge on 25 April, 2024 at 6:00 pm.**

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
  Last  First  Middle  Prefer to be called

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Local address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree anticipated:  Associate's  Bachelor's

Intended College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted to the above College or University:  Yes  No (Include Acceptance letter if "yes")

Program of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to work while in school:  full-time  part-time

List any clubs, community activities, volunteer work, awards, honors, etc., in which you have participated while in high school.

Description	Date(s)	List any leadership positions or awards

If necessary, attach a separate sheet to complete any of the information requested.

### SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

All information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may be asked to provide proof of information stated in this form. I agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the Saint John's Lodge Scholarship Foundation should I be selected as a recipient.

Name of applicant (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION RELEASE

I hereby give permission for Saint John's Scholarship Foundation to quote, publish and exhibit in brochures, letters and/or other materials including my name and photo for the purpose of soliciting funds for awarding scholarships to future scholarship recipients, and general publicity about this scholarship award.

I am at least 18 years of age.

Name of applicant (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am under 18 years of age.

Name of applicant (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

