



## 2023 Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

Please complete the application in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be considered for scholarship awards. The deadline for this application to be received is **Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.**

**Purpose:** To provide scholarships to deserving area youth that have need of financial assistance, are active in supporting the community in which they live and show an eagerness to achieve through knowledge by intending to pursue post-high school course of study at either college/university or other post-secondary educational institution.

1. **DEADLINE** for scholarship applications is **Friday, May 5th at 5:00 PM. (No Exceptions).**
2. Refer to criteria below for eligibility requirements.
3. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.). Incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. If any question does not apply to you in this application, put N/A in the space.
5. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be returned to you.
6. You will be notified by phone or email in May regarding the status of your application.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please contact Katie Fisher of the Saucon Valley High School Counseling Office at [kathryn.fisher@svpanthers.org](mailto:kathryn.fisher@svpanthers.org).
8. Scholarship funds will only be awarded to the student's college or university account upon evidence of registration in an accredited post-secondary institution.

### **Criteria:**

1. The scholarship is available to any graduating senior residing in the Saucon Valley School District. Residence includes the Borough of Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township.
2. An applicant must be planning to further his or her education within six months of graduating from high school. Failure to matriculate will negate the scholarship. Extenuating circumstances regarding matriculation must be explained in writing and will be considered by the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber board on an individual basis.

### **Application Process (Applicant must submit the following items):**

1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly)
2. Two (2) letters of recommendations from choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement.
3. An official and recent high school transcript with cumulative grade point average and a class standing/rank.
4. Personal Essay.
  - a. *In your essay, please answer the questions of what you have done to earn this award and what affect this award will have on your future.*

**Please submit your application to Katie Fisher at the Saucon Valley High School Counseling Office.**

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1.	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2.	Email Address: _____	
3.	Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____	
4.	Daytime Telephone Number: (____) _____	
5.	Date of Birth:    Month: _____    Day: _____    Year: _____	
6.	Current High School: _____	Number of Years Attended: _____
7.	I will be attending the following school in the Fall of 2023: _____	
8.	If decided, what specialty/major and/or minor do you plan to study as you continue your education? _____	
9.	Are you a first-generation post-secondary education student (i.e. college, trade school, etc.)? Mark "X" on the line that applies to you.                      _____ Yes                      _____ No	
10.	Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) <i>Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent <b>official</b> school transcript required.</i>	
11.	Name and address of your parent(s) or legal guardian(s). If applicant lives in two separate households, please list both: Names: _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Family: Brother(s): _____ Sister(s): _____	



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Other family members residing in home: \_\_\_\_\_

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12. What are your educational and professional goals and objectives?

13. List your academic honors, awards, and membership activities while in high school:

14. List your community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities:

15. How has our community positively impacted you both personally and professionally?



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16.	Describe yourself and how you have worked in your life to make a positive difference?

17.	<p>The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber’s Scholarship Committee. Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached to this application <b>(No exceptions)</b>.</p> <p>Circle “YES” or “NO” to be sure you have attached each item as required.</p> <p>A. <b>Proof of post-secondary education acceptance</b> (a letter of college or program acceptance is required for receipt of funds).</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">YES                      NO</p> <p>B. <b>Most recent official high school transcript.</b> Photocopies of your transcript are <b>not acceptable</b>.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">YES                      NO</p>
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Comments:

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**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce's Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce's Scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

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

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