

Jack and Jill of America, Inc.
Prince George's County, Maryland
Serving the community over 50 years



2023-2024
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Deadline: March 1, 2024
*** Must be submitted by 3/1/2024 by 11:59pm***

For more information contact:
Scholarship Co-Chairs Alexis Farrar or Jessica Teel at
pgcjnjscholarship@gmail.com

Scholarship Selections & Criteria

THE GENEVA MAYS MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

- Prince George's County, Maryland resident
- Graduating PGC public high school senior
- Plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution during the 2020-2021 academic school year (award based on actual enrollment)
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above required
- Scholarship award starts at \$2,000 or more

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

- Prince George's County, Maryland resident
- Graduating PGC public high school senior
- Plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution during the 2020-2021 academic school year (award based on actual enrollment)
- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above required **and have shown significant academic improvement over previous years**

*Our scholarship awards start at \$1,000, each applicant is considered for each scholarship they meet the criteria for.

How did you learn about the JJPGC Scholarship?

- Counselor
- Teacher
- College Fair
- Other (Please Specify)

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All materials must be sent by **March 1, 2024 by 11:59pm**. All information on this form is considered confidential. Submitted materials (including color photo) become the property of Jack & Jill of America, Inc., Prince George's County, Maryland.

If any items are omitted, the application will be deemed incomplete and considered invalid

2023-2024 Scholarship Application

Scholarship Applicant Criteria

- **Resident** of Prince George's County, Maryland
- **2023-2024 Graduate** of a Prince George's County public high school
- Plan to attend an accredited post secondary institution during the 2020-2021 academic school year
- Members of Jack and Jill of America are not eligible for these scholarships

Scholarship Procedure

- Submit (1-3)
 1. **Academic transcript with cumulative grade point average**
Note: Current high school transcript must include Grades 9-11 and all available senior year grades. Transcripts will be verified by school counselor if selected as a scholarship recipient.
 2. **Signed 2023-2024 Community Service or Employment Letter of Recommendation** (non-school related activity) on the organization's official letterhead. Letters not on official letterhead will not be accepted. In special circumstances, exceptions may be made for community service recommendations without letterhead; however you must state the reasons and include the name, address, phone number and email address.
 3. **Signed 2023-2024 High School Letter of Recommendation** (i.e. current teacher, principal, counselor etc.) official school letterhead
Note: Persons writing recommendations should specify relationship or capacity in which they know or have observed the applicant. Unsigned letters will not be accepted and the application package will be deemed incomplete.
- Submit one **typed essay** (select one of the four listed / maximum one page)
 1. What community service activity have you performed and felt it was the most rewarding? Describe why?
 2. Who is your role model and why? This can be a public figure, teacher, mentor, family member, friend, etc. How has he or she helped prepare you for college?
 3. Explain a personal philosophy or motto that you live by. How does it influence your decisions and actions?
 4. How do you plan to use your education to make a positive impact on society?
- Enclose a recent color photograph (no proofs, and photo should only include applicant)
- Complete and sign the scholarship application - both **student and parent or guardian** must sign

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND (JJPGC)

- **Submit completed application (in original format), letters of recommendation, essay, and original color photo (wallet or 4x6 headshot photo) to:**

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PART I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

(Please Type or Print)

TODAY'S DATE: _____

NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP(S):

(Please refer to 'Scholarship Selection & Criteria' on page 2)

NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

NAME OF SCHOOL (Currently Attending): _____

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA): _____

PART II – ACTIVITIES & RECOGNITIONS

On page 5 & 6, list all **school, work, community, and church related activities** participated in during freshman, sophomore, junior and senior years. Please specify each year of participation, positions or offices held, and any awards received.

Activities & Recognitions

(Required format - Print additional forms if needed)

High School Extracurricular Activities (Please indicate number of years and positions held):

Awards and Recognitions:

Community Service/Church Activities (Please indicate your role, frequency and number of hours):

Work Experience:

PART III - COLLEGE INFORMATION

Estimate college expenses for one (1) full academic year.

COLLEGE(S) APPLIED: _____

INTENDED MAJOR: _____

TUITION: \$ _____ SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT: \$ _____

ROOM & BOARD: \$ _____

PLEASE LIST ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, OR MONETARY AWARDS YOU HAVE RECEIVED OR EXPECT TO RECEIVE FOR COLLEGE EXPENSES:

PART IV - ESSAY

(Essay MUST BE TYPED and attached to application)

Select one question and type a one-page essay (Essays longer than one page will not be accepted)

- Submit one **typed essay** (select one of the four listed / maximum one page)
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Selected Essay Question Number _____

PART V – SIGNATURES

(Application *MUST BE SIGNED* by the student **and** parent or guardian)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that all statements made herein on any attachments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

STUDENT

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

APPLICANT CHECKLIST

- All questions answered completely
- A **TYPED** essay - one (1) page maximum (essays longer than one page will not be accepted):
- Original color photo (4x6 or wallet size) – (no proofs and photo only has applicant);
- School transcript
- Awards and activities (school, work, community service and church related) participated in during freshman, sophomore, junior and senior years listed on sheet provided (required format)
- Current (2023-2024) school recommendation letter obtained - **MUST BE SIGNED AND TYPED** on official school letterhead
- Current (2023-2024) community service or employment recommendation letter obtained - **MUST BE SIGNED AND TYPED** on the organization's letterhead. In special circumstances, exceptions may be made for community service recommendations without letterhead; however you must state the reasons and include the name, address, phone number and email address.
- If applying for more than one JJPGC Scholarship, all applicable scholarships are checked/indicated
- Application must be submitted by **MARCH 1, 2024 NO LATER THAN 11:59 PM.**
- Student and parent/guardian **MUST SIGN** application
- Student and parent/guardian **MUST ATTEND** a Scholarship Reception in Mid-May
- Winners must submit a 1-2 minute video detailing what the scholarship means to them and attend the scholarship award ceremony on May 3rd at 6:30 pm ET
- Scan and submit completed **application** (in original format), **transcript**, **letters of recommendation**, **essay**, and **color photo** to:

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