



White Pass Scholarship Fund

Your community supporting your education

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

8:00 am



What is the scholarship?

This may be used to support any accredited post-high school program that awards a certificate, license or degree. Examples include, but aren't limited to vocational programs, CDL license, cosmetology, phlebotomy, Associate's or Bachelor's degrees, etc.

Who is eligible to apply? Graduating high school seniors

- who are enrolled in or registered with the White Pass School District. Home school students must be registered with Intent to Home School letter on file with the White Pass School District)
- who have a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.0
- who submit a complete application packet by the deadline
- who participate in an interview with members of the scholarship committee

Note: Application for scholarship does not guarantee an award.

The scholarship committee will judge applicants in the following six categories. You should make sure you address these categories in your application and personal letter. As long as you meet the minimum GPA of 2.0, your score in any particular area will not take you out of the running to receive a scholarship award.

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| • grades and academic achievement | • commitment to educational goals |
| • community service | • financial need and special circumstances |
| • school, work and community activities | • presentation of self |

White Pass Scholarship Application Packet Checklist

- ☐ **Application Form** – Complete, signed and dated, including any pages of additional information. You can download the application from the White Pass High School website www.whitepass.k12.wa.us and use the text tool in a PDF viewer, or print a blank application and complete in your own handwriting. All applications, including those completed electronically, must be printed before submitting – only complete paper applications, **signed and dated by hand**, will be accepted.
- ☐ **Personal letter**, typed – 2 page maximum. Letter must include but is not limited to:
 - Reflection on how your life experiences have influenced you.
 - Statement on financial need and/or special circumstances. Include family/guardian support or challenges for your past and future educational goals.

Completed applications must be delivered to Mrs. Almquist. If you need help with your application, please contact Mrs. Almquist.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE PICKED UP BY THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE AT 8:00 AM, TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MAKE A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT, TITLE IT WITH YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME



White Pass Scholarship Application

Please complete electronically, or complete neatly in your own handwriting. Ask a teacher or trusted adult to help you check for spelling, grammar and completeness before signing and turning in.
We will accept all applications without regard to race, religion, national origin, gender, disabilities or language.

Applicant Full Name

Address City/State/Zip

Student Phone

Student Email *(Not WPSD email)*

Sometimes the families of the memorial scholarships want to read the scholarship applications and make the selection themselves. Do you give the scholarship committee permission to share your application with another party who is making a scholarship/memorial selection? ☐ YES ☐ NO

I. GRADES & ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: *Submitting this application gives the White Pass Scholarship Committee permission to obtain transcripts and attendance records from the school.*

II. COMMITMENT TO EDUCATIONAL GOALS: *(Exemplary commitment would have clearly articulated goals with an achievable plan, past courses and grades are congruent with future goals, applications and visits to schools to meet goals, job shadowing of future career aspirations)*

What career path do you plan to follow after high school?

Why have you selected this career path?

What have you done to prepare for this course of study?

What programs or schools have you applied to?

What is your backup plan, for a career path and for training?

Are you planning to defer beginning your career path beyond the next school year (for example, a gap year, mission trip, AmeriCorps service or other break) before continuing school? ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ MAYBE

If you answer yes or maybe, please explain your plan for the year and for pursuing your career path afterward.

III. COMMUNITY SERVICE: *(Exemplary community service would significantly exceed the minimum graduation requirement for service hours or demonstrate extraordinary dedication and commitment or background preparation)*

List COMMUNITY SERVICE documented in your portfolio for graduation. *Combine like activities if possible. Community service not claimed on your portfolio can be added if documented with a Supplemental Service Form. If you need more room, add row(s) to the bottom of the table.*

Activity or Event	What was your role (leader, organizer, participant)	Total Hours	Grades (9,10,11,12)
<i>Example: Planned and supervised a Red Cross blood drive</i>	<i>Event organizer and led a group of 5 students working the event</i>	20	11, 12
TOTAL PORTFOLIO DOCUMENTED SERVICE HOURS:			
ADDITIONAL SERVICE HOURS <i>(List on additional page)</i>			

IV. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS: *(Points in this category are awarded for family employment challenges as well as other family members enrolled in college or trade school. Other special circumstances should be described during the application and interview process to highlight financial need.)*

Have you completed the FAFSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Have you applied for other financial aid? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If yes, which?
Name of parent(s) / guardian(s)
Where do your parent(s) / guardian(s) work?
Has either parent/guardian been laid off from work? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If yes, for how long?
Family members who will be in college or a training program next year, not including yourself:
Will you live at home, with family members or on campus / in an apartment next year?

Proposed Expenses for the upcoming school year

Expenses could include tuition (cost of classes or program), room/board (living expenses), books, course fees, transportation and incidentals (spending money, unexpected expenses).

Name of program or school

What is the estimated cost of this program or school for next year? Explain how you developed this estimate.

Explain your plan for financing your career path.

V. ACTIVITIES: SCHOOL, WORK AND COMMUNITY: *(Exemplary involvement is calculated based upon significant involvement in numerous activities and exceptional commitment to individual activities)*

School AND Community Activities: include music, drama, sports, clubs, church groups, etc. *If you need more room, include on additional page.*

Activity	What was your role or leadership position?	Grade(s)
<i>Example: Knowledge Bowl</i>	<i>Participant, team captain gr 11 and 12</i>	<i>9, 10, 11, 12</i>

WORK EXPERIENCE: List work experience during high school, both formal and informal work. *If you need more room, include on additional page.*

Employer	Job Description	Hours / Week	Grade(s)
<i>Example: White Pass HS</i>	<i>GEAR UP tutor for after school tutoring</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>9,10</i>

AWARDS / RECOGNITION / ACHIEVEMENTS: List awards you have received during high school. (i.e. Honor Roll, Student of the Month, Sports Awards, Leadership, Community awards, etc.) *If you need more room, include on additional page.*

Activity / Title	Description	Grade(s)
<i>Example: Basketball</i>	<i>Captain, Boys Basketball Team</i>	<i>10, 11, 12</i>

VI. PRESENTATION OF SELF:

Presentation of self includes how this application looks and reads. To obtain maximum points the packet should be clear, clean and mistake-free. Make sure you review your packet for errors prior to submitting. Teachers, parents, or other trusted adults can and should review your application prior to submitting.

During the interview, it is obvious that the applicant prepared by being well groomed, and has thought out responses to expected interview questions regarding the future.

VII. PERSONAL LETTER:

Please attach your personal letter to your application. Your letter should be typed and no longer than 2 pages. Letter must include but is not limited to:

- *Reflection on how your life experiences have influenced you.*
- *Educational goals and career path you are considering and why.*
- *Statement on financial need and/or special circumstances. Include family/guardian support or challenges for your past and future educational goals.*

My signature below verifies that I have completed this application myself and that I understand that LATE or INCOMPLETE applications WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Print Student Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature also required if under 18 years of age:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature _____ Date _____