
United States JCI Senate Foundation Vocational/Technical/Trade School Scholarship Application

Eligibility:

- Graduating high school seniors in the United States, who reside in a state that has an active JCI Senate program and a scholarship chairperson. Check www.usjcisenate.org under the scholarship tab for a listing of participating states. If your state is not listed, you are not eligible to apply.
- **STUDENTS MUST HAVE A GPA OF 3.25 AND ABOVE TO BE CONSIDERED.**
- You must be a U.S. citizen to apply for this scholarship.

This package contains information and directions to apply for the United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Program. Scholarship grants in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to graduating high school seniors in the United States, who will continue their education at an accredited school offering vocational, technical, or trade programs within the United States. Ten (10) grants will be awarded to 2026 graduates by the United States JCI Senate Foundation. Scholarships must be used for tuition in the first year of full-time study immediately following high school graduation. Checks will be made out in the name of the recipient and will be paid directly to the school.

The Vocational/Technical/Trade Scholarship is for students who plan to attend a vocational school, trade school, technical school, 2-year community college, or other short-term program. Fields of study may include, but are not limited to: automotive technology, plumbing, carpentry, welding, advanced manufacturing, cosmetology, computer repair, HVAC tech, medical assistant, LPN, culinary, powerline technology, paramedic, vet tech, pharmacy tech, legal assistant, etc.

Instructions for the US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Application

A. Submission preference will be in a **MICROSOFT WORD COMPATIBLE FORMAT**. The application must be typed in black ink. Print using single-sided sheets of paper.

B. On each page of the application package, neatly hand print your name and the page number (in ink) at the top right corner.

Begin with the check list as page 1, the photo page is 2, then continue to number the application and all attachments. If reference letters or transcripts are submitted in sealed envelopes, number the envelopes for proper placement and the chairman will insert them. Staple all pages together in the upper left corner.

C. Each student must have an active, working e-mail address listed.

D. All materials **MUST** be submitted in one mailing. Materials sent in multiple mailings **WILL NOT** be accepted.

E. Your application will be evaluated by individuals outside of your area.

Do not use acronyms for clubs, events, awards, etc. If the name is not self explanatory, include a description. Examples: REACH should include a description such as: Oak City REACH program to feed the homeless, or J. Smith Award for Top Female Tennis Player.

F. NO ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED AND MAILED BY JANUARY 12, 2026

G. Included in this application package are all the necessary forms and instructions

regarding additional information required.

YOUR APPLICATION PAGES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN THE ORDER LISTED BELOW. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL BE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION.

- Student Check List
 - Wallet size photo taped on a sheet of blank paper.
You must include a 2 x 3-inch head shot photo for use in our national publications. This photo should be neatly taped to a sheet of white paper with your name and state listed under the photo.
By signing the application, you agree that your name and photo may be used as part of the public relations of the US JCI Senate, the US JCI Senate Foundation and their affiliates such as the associated state programs.
 - The Scholarship Application
 - Applicant Information
 - High School Information
 - Vocational/Technical/Trade School Information
 - Parent or Guardian Information
 - Financial Statement Information
 - School Involvement Page
 - Community Involvement Page
 - Employment Page
 - Personal Statement - 300 to 500 words
 - Signature of Applicant Page (section 10)
 - Vocational/Technical/Trade School Acceptance Letter (if accepted)
 - Supporting Documentation of your choice – a limit of three (3) pages
 - Reference Letters – a limit of three (3) letters, one from an educator
 - Transcripts
Your high school grade transcripts should be the last attachment to your application package.
- Any student with a GPA of 3.25 and above will be considered for this scholarship grant.**
- ACT/SAT national test scores are not required.

H. Do not include these first two pages of instructions with your application submission.

I. To submit your application package:

Refer to the website www.usjcisenate.org under the scholarship section. Using the "State Chairman Contact List" locate the state where you live and submit your application to the state chairperson or contact listed for that state. If your state is not listed, you are not eligible to apply. Do not submit the application to any address on the web page except the person listed under your State Scholarship Contact section (packages submitted to the wrong address will not be forwarded).

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Student Application Check List

Vocational/Technical/Trade

This check list page is a reminder for you, the applicant, to be sure you have included key points within your completed application before submission. Either initial or mark each line after completing.

- _____ Include this checklist as page 1 of your application package.**
- _____ 2" x 3" headshot photo neatly taped to a sheet of white paper.
State and name listed under the photo.**
- _____ Entire application form is complete.
Sections 6, 7, 8, 9 are each answered on additional sheets of paper.
Section 10 of the application is signed and your e-mail address is listed.**
- _____ Vocational/Technical/Trade School information and major is complete.**
- _____ Completed financial information is based on the first year of education,
or the total cost of the program.**
- _____ Personal statement not to exceed 500 words. Word count is included.**
- _____ Copy of school acceptance letter, if you have received it.**
- _____ Supporting documentation attached, maximum of 3 sheets.**
- _____ Reference letters attached, maximum of 3 letters.
At least one of the reference letters must be from an educator.**
- _____ School transcripts attached as the last page of the application packet.**
- _____ Name and page number listed at the top right corner of every page of
the application package.**
- _____ All pages stapled together at the top left corner.**
- _____ Application mailed on or before January 12, 2026.**

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Vocational/Technical/Trade Scholarship Application

1. Applicant Information

Applicant's Name			Date of Application
Applicant's Home Address		Applicant's E-Mail Address	
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
Are you a U.S. Citizen (check one) ☐ Yes ☐ No			

2. High School Information

Name of Applicant's High School

Address City State Zip Code

High School Guidance Counselor OR High School Principal (name, email address, position)

3. Vocational/Technical/Trade School Information

Name of the school you plan to attend AND FIELD OF STUDY

Address City State Zip Code

Have you been accepted to this school?

☐ Yes (if yes, attach copy of acceptance letter) ☐ No

Are you undecided?

☐ Yes ☐ No

How long is your program of study? _____

4. Parent or Guardian Information

Father's Name			Check here if father is deceased
Father's Home Address			Occupation
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

Mother's Name			Check here if mother is deceased
Mother's Home Address	Occupation	Check here if Mother is deceased	
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

If you have a stepparent or guardian, provide the following information.

Stepparent or Guardian Name

Home Address		Occupation	
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

5. Applicant's Financial Statement Information

This financial section is to show your understanding of the financial costs of your education.

THE BUDGET SHOULD BE BASED ON YOUR FIRST YEAR OF EDUCATION OR TOTAL COST OF THE PROGRAM

EXPENSES:

1. Tuition and Additional Fees	1.	
2. Room and Board	2.	
3. Books and Supplies	3.	
4. Incidental Expenses: travel, car, gas, etc.	4.	
Total Estimated Expenses		

How many family members are financially dependent on your parents or guardians for support? _____

INCOME: *Explain in detail how you plan to finance your schooling.*

Explain any personal, family or financial circumstances you believe merit consideration.

6. School Involvement

List and explain your involvement in school activities, be specific.

Bullet each activity and include any leadership positions, awards, events or projects, and the time commitment involved.

NOTE: Attach an additional sheet behind this page **labeled 6. School Involvement.**

7. Community Involvement

List and explain your involvement in community activities and church activities, be specific.

Bullet each activity and include any leadership positions, awards, events or projects, and the time commitment involved.

NOTE: Attach an additional sheet behind this page **labeled 7. Community Involvement.**

8. Employment

Using a bullet format for each job, include the names of employers (including family business or self-employment), job duties, type of job (occasional, part-time, full-time, summer work, etc.) and pay you received, if any.

If you have not been employed while in high school, please explain any specific reasons.

NOTE: Attach an additional sheet behind this page **labeled 8. Employment.**

9. Personal Statement

Complete a statement of 300 to 500 words, indicating your chosen field of study. State your reasons for this choice. Include pertinent experiences, activities, and accomplishments that have contributed to this decision.

Include word count.

NOTE: Attach an additional sheet behind this page labeled 9. Personal Statement.

10. Signature (You must complete this section)

I certify that the facts contained in this scholarship application are true and correct. The United States JCI Senate Foundation is hereby authorized to verify any information contained in this application. I understand that any falsification of misrepresentation will result in disqualification.

Signature of Applicant **Date Signed**

Applicant's E-mail Address

11. Vocational/Technical/Trade School Acceptance Letter (if accepted)

12. Supporting Documentation of Your Choice (maximum of three (3) pages)

You may include awards, certificates, articles, pictures, etc.

13. Reference Letters (maximum of three (3) letters)

At least one reference letter must be from an educator.

14. Transcripts

A copy of your current high school transcript MUST be included. This MUST include class grades or scores. Include SAT or ACT test scores if you have them. Include any college courses taken.
