

Together We Rise Scholarship

How to apply

Step 1 - Complete the [online application](#).

Step 2 - Digital documentation will be required to verify your eligibility and complete your application. The following documents must be uploaded to Together We Rise on or before the application deadline:

- High School Transcripts (for high school seniors)
- College Transcript (if already enrolled in college)
- Proof of Foster Care Status (Ward of the Court Letter)
- Application Essay (Personal Statement)
- Professional Headshot Photograph
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- College Acceptance Letter(s)

A secure email containing your personalized upload link will be provided soon after the student's initial application is submitted. So, students should review their spam folders for correspondence from Together We Rise, as sometimes their emails may be directed there.

What are the eligibility criteria to apply for this scholarship?

- The applicant must be 18-23 years of age during the application year. Applicants age seventeen (17) years old can apply with a guardian signature. Applicants turning twenty-four (24) years before June 1st of the application year can apply.
- The applicant has been accepted to or expects acceptance to an accredited, Pell Grant-eligible college or other postsecondary institution, and is attempting to complete an undergraduate degree.
- The applicant graduated with a high school diploma or GED, or is currently a high school senior, with a cumulative grade point average (cumulative GPA) of 2.5 or higher. If currently attending college, a 2.5 cumulative GPA is also required.
- The applicant is a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.
- The applicant has lived in foster care while living in the U.S.
- The applicant either:
 - Lived in public or private foster care for the twelve (12) consecutive months leading up to and including the applicants eighteenth (18th) birthday; OR
 - Was adopted or placed into legal guardianship from foster care after the applicants thirteenth (13th) birthday; OR
 - Was orphaned for at least one (1) year at the time of recipient's eighteenth (18th) birthday.

How many students will be selected?

This is a national scholarship, administered by a national organization serving young people who have experienced foster care. 10 total applicants will be awarded the scholarship, from around the country.

Questions? [Contact Together We Rise!](#)