

****High School Student Application****

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**McCHORD Spouses' Club
THE JOAN WASSERSTROM SCHOLARSHIP
AND OUTSTANDING STUDENT MERIT AWARDS
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION**

The McChord Spouses' Club is pleased to announce that they will give scholarship awards to eligible Air Force dependents, who are college-bound high school seniors. This award will be presented on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, creed, sex, national origin, or religious affiliation.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. These awards will be offered to legal dependents* of:
 - A. Active duty Air Force personnel stationed in the local area** or on assignment to any unaccompanied remote tour where the family resides in the local area**
 - B. Retired Air Force personnel residing in the local area**
 - C. Deceased Air Force personnel where the family resides in the local area**
 - D. Air Force Reservists and Air National Guard assigned to McChord Field

* A dependent for scholarship purposes is defined as a currently unmarried natural child, an adopted child, or a stepchild, who has not passed his/her 21st birthday. Applicants must be authorized dependent privileges and possess a valid dependent ID card.

**Local area is defined as up to and including the area within a 40-mile radius of the main gate of McChord Field.

2. The applicant must be a senior in high school as recognized by the State of Washington, and be graduating from an accredited high school or home school.
3. The applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible.
4. The applicant must be planning to attend an accredited two or four-year University or college on a full time basis. Full time is defined as taking a minimum of 12 hours per term.
5. Recipients of scholarships or awards from any other military spouses' groups are not eligible.

The Joan Wasserstrom Scholarship and Outstanding Merit Awards:

The awards will be awarded to students on a ranked scale. The student receiving the highest number of points will receive the Joan Wasserstrom Scholarship. The monies come from gathered charitable events and proceeds from the McChord Spouses' Club's Thrift Shop.

Award recipients will be recognized at the McChord Spouses' Club meeting in April. Recipients of the awards will be notified in advance of the date and issued an invitation to attend the reception. **Attendance to the event is highly recommended if you are an award recipient.**

All information given by the applicant is confidential. Names of applicants will not be known to the evaluation team. The evaluation team is an independent committee of members of the community not associated with the McChord Spouses' Club. Their decisions are final.

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LIMITATIONS:

No award will be given to a student accepting a service academy appointment, a 4-year ROTC scholarship, or a full scholarship (room, board, & tuition).

Awards will be paid directly to the school in which the winner enrolls, upon presentation of receipt of registration. The MSC award money will be used for tuition and books. Awards must be used in the 2017-2018 academic year. If the student does not complete at least one official term of school, for any reason other than hardship (to be determined by the Scholarship Committee), he/she will return the full amount of the MSC award within 60 days of dis-enrolling.

Each scholarship award recipient and his or her sponsor will be required to sign a contract acknowledging acceptance of the rules and regulations of the **Joan Wasserstrom Scholarship and Outstanding Student Merit Awards** prior to the disbursement of funds.

DEADLINE:

COMPLETED TYPED APPLICATIONS, AS WELL AS ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION, MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 17, 2017 TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ANY AWARD.

Applications will only be received at the address listed below. Please contact Tracy Fanning at 253-442-7043 or McChordSpousesClubScholarships@gmail.com for further information.

All applications and required information must be sent to:

MSC Scholarship Chairperson
McChord MSC
PO Box 4025
McChord Field, WA 98438

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**MCCHORD MSC
OUTSTANDING STUDENT MERIT AWARD**

APPLICATION

PERSONAL DATA:

FULL NAME: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

NAME AND RANK OF MILITARY SPONSOR: _____

SPONSOR'S STATUS:

_____ Active Duty _____ Reservist/National Guard _____ Retired _____ Deceased

Organization: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL: _____

SCHOOL COUNSELOR: _____

INTENDED COLLEGE: _____

INTENDED MAJOR: _____

VERIFICATION STATEMENT: (by applicant and military sponsor)

I fully understand the eligibility requirements, criteria for selection, and limitations of the awards. I certify that the information provided in this application is correct.

Applicant signature

Sponsor's signature

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Date

Print Sponsor's name

PLEASE ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY (FRONT AND BACK) OF YOUR MILITARY ID CARD

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PART I. Activities, Employment, Coursework and Awards (please PRINT or TYPE clearly)

You may attach an extra page if more space is needed.

A. High Schools Attended (grades 9-12):

List all public and private schools attended, the location of the school, grade(s) and the dates (years) you attended the school.

Name of School	Location of School (City, State, AFB, Country)	Dates Attended	Honors and Awards Received

B. Extracurricular Activities:

List all SCHOOL organizations in which you have participated. Please include the dates (years) that you participated in each activity and any offices held. (Sports, music, clubs, student government, publications, etc.)

Activity	Dates Participated	Office Held	Honors and Awards Received

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C. Community Involvement and Volunteer Work:

List all activities in which you have participated outside of school and/or any volunteer work completed.

Please include the dates (years) that you participated in each activity and any offices held.

(Civic, religious, sports, art, drama, music, scouts, dance, or volunteer hours at a nursing home, food bank, and animal shelter, etc.)

Activity	Dates Participated	Office Held	Honors and Awards Received

D. Paid Work Experience:

List your paid work experience. Include dates of employment, approximate number of hours you worked each week, and name and address of employer. Please include baby-sitting in your work experience.

Position Title	Name and Address of Employer	Hours/Week	Dates of Employment	Honors/Awards

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Part II. Personal Essay

Please answer the following essay question in no more than 500 words. Use separate sheet(s), **type**, double-space, and attach the essay to your application. Failure to follow directions will disqualify application.

The Joan Wasserstrom Award honors a dependent with exemplary service to the Air Force Community. Being raised, as well as raising her own family, in a military setting, Joan saw how important the Air Force community was in supporting and nurturing individuals and families. Joan chose to serve by helping the McChord Field Thrift Shop thrive financing Air Force community programs and scholars.

How has being part of an Air Force family affected you, was there an event that changed your life?

Part III. Letters of Recommendation

You must submit **two** letters of recommendation from professionals who know you well (teachers, employers, clergy, coaches, or any adult other than a relative). They must have contact information for verification, original signatures, and be in sealed envelopes with signature on the flap.

If more than two letters are submitted, two letters will be randomly chosen from application packet and all others will be excluded from consideration.

Part IV. Cumulative GPA

*Minimum requirement for this scholarship is a 3.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale.

*Have your guidance counselor provide information and **SIGN** the Guidance Counselor Verification Form (include contact information for the counselor for verification).

*Submit an official/certified transcript of your high school (grades 9-12) subjects and grades.

Part V. ACT or SAT scores

Have your high school guidance counselor provide information and **SIGN** the Guidance Counselor Verification Form.

Submit your SAT or ACT test results.

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GUIDANCE COUNSELOR VERIFICATION**

To be completed by your Guidance Counselor:

GPA

Minimum requirement for this scholarship is a 3.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale.

Cumulative GPA: _____

SAT or ACT Results

Test results SAT: V _____ M _____ Written _____

OR

ACT: _____

By signing below, I certify that the GPA and Test Results I have provided here are correct.

Signature of Counselor

Date

Counselor Contact Information

Print name of Counselor

Telephone Number

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OUTSTANDING STUDENT MERIT AWARD**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicant, please check below to ensure that the following documents are included in your packet. Please submit your packet with the all documents in the following order.

_____ **Application Checklist**

_____ **Personal Data Page**

(Including verification signed by applicant AND sponsor)

_____ **Copy of applicant's Military ID card**

_____ **Part I --- Activities, Employment, Coursework and Awards**

_____ **Part II --- Personal Essay (Typed)**

_____ **Part III --- 1st Letter of Recommendation (signed in sealed envelope)**

_____ **Part III --- 2nd Letter of Recommendation (signed in sealed envelope)**

_____ **Part IV & V--- Guidance Counselor Verification Form (with contact information)**

_____ **Part IV --- Official/Certified High School Transcript**

Include GPA, courses enrolled in and grades earned in grades 9-12.

_____ **Part V --- SAT or ACT scores**