



2019 Educational Scholarships

The Red Circle Foundation's academic scholarship program supports the children of former or current US Military Special Operations Professionals in the fulfillment of their educational endeavors. These Scholarships are intended to help remove economic barriers for students who demonstrate financial need, by providing financial assistance and support for students from elementary through graduate school. Scholarships are awarded to offset student costs, including, but not limited to tuition, institutional fees, books and other education-related costs, and living expenses.



The Red Circle Foundation Educational Scholarship Programs

Young Scholars Scholarship \$500

Rewarding an outstanding student age 10-13.
Applicants must submit an original drawing and include a short paragraph about their family.

The High School Scholarship \$500

Rewarding a student in high academic standing and encouraging the pursuit of higher education. Applicants must submit a 300-word essay about the importance of family in their life, using personal experiences in the narrative.

Undergraduate Scholarship/Graduate Scholarship \$1000 each

Honoring excellence in students currently enrolled in an undergraduate program and those pursuing graduate-level or professional studies. Undergraduate applicants must submit a 500-word essay; Graduate applicants must submit a 1000-word essay on the topic of integrity, including in the narrative how integrity personally applies in your life, references to the Special Operations Professional in your family and how has that individual influenced your definition of integrity?



Eligibility

Students must meet the following criteria to be considered eligible to apply for Red Circle Foundation's Scholarship Program:

- Be a child of a former or current US Military Special Operations Professional in one of the following four categories:
 - AFSOC – Air Force Special Operations Command
 - NSWC – Naval Surface Warfare Center
 - MARSOC – United States Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command
 - USASOC – U.S. Army Special Operations Command
- Have a demonstrated financial need as determined by the Red Circle Foundation board (Please include documents to substantiate claims).
- Be accepted for enrollment or currently enrolled in a K-12 education institution for the Young Scholars and High School Programs, or a 2 or 4-year higher education institute with the authority to grant associate, bachelor, or masters degrees.
- Provide official transcripts that demonstrate the student has maintained a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 GPA scale (or equivalent for educational institutions that employ a different scale).
- Provide two letters of recommendation from an instructor, guidance counselor or employer. Undergraduate and Graduate candidates please also include a current resume listing work experience and extracurricular activities.
- Demonstrate that he or she is the child of a US Military Special Operations Professional by providing one of the following documents:
 - Enlisted Record Brief
 - Officer Record Brief

- Human Resources Record from the Special Operations Professional's current Office of Assignment.
- Verification of Military Service (DOD Form DD 214)
- Notification of Personnel Action (DOD form SF 50)

➤ A signed statement of truth (provided below)



Selection Criteria

All eligible applications will be competitively reviewed by the Red Circle Foundation's Board for authenticity of information contained therein and awards will be determined based on the students' academic records, financial need and the best artistic rendition (Young Scholars Scholarship) or essay. The art renditions submitted must be original and will be considered the property of Red Circle Foundation and may be published, as deemed necessary, to promote the scholarship program.

The Red Circle Foundation will make one award in each scholarship category:

Young Scholars (\$500), The High School (\$500), The Undergraduate (\$1000), The Graduate (\$1000). The Red Circle Foundation reserves the right to amend the number of awards made annually.

Students awarded a scholarship will be notified via U.S. Mail following a thorough review process. Scholarships are awarded for one academic year at a time and students must reapply annually. The Red Circle Foundation is firmly committed to nondiscrimination in the delivery of its scholarship programs. In accordance with all applicable federal and state laws, award decisions will be made irrespective of an applicant's race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, age or other legally protected status

DEADLINE

Submit a completed application postmarked on or before **June 1, 2019** via US Mail to:

**Red Circle Foundation
PO Box 15415
Washington, DC 20003**

Only complete applications be considered for award.

Questions regarding the application process can be directed to
socialmedia@redcirclefoundation.org



Scholarship Application

Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____
Educational Institution: _____
Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Statement of Truth

I, _____ **certify that the information and documentation I have provided is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.**

Applicant's Signature: _____

Print Applicant's Name: _____

Date: _____

If the student is a minor, a parent or guardian's signature is required in lieu of the student's

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Parent/Guardian Name: _____