



# National Grand Chapter, O.E.S. National Education Department

*Working under the authority of the National Supreme Council, Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rites Masons*

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## 2026 Book Scholarship Application

The National Grand Chapter, O.E.S. National Education Department will be awarding multiple \$500.00 Book Scholarships for the 2026 academic year.

### **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

- *Applicants must be a graduating high school student in the class of 2026.*
- *Applicants must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher*
- *Applicants must provide an official high school transcript in a sealed envelope*
- *Applicants must submit a copy of the letter of acceptance from the college or university you plan to attend in the upcoming 2026 academic semester/schoolyear.*
- *Applicants must submit a letter of endorsement from an OES or Masonic relative or sponsor*
- *Applicants must submit a brief 100-word personal essay (12-point font) indicating “Why do you deserve this scholarship and how this scholarship will impact your future?”*
- *Applicants must provide a school picture (academic / headshot), which will be shared and highlighted during the scholarship program*
- *Applicants must complete and submit all supporting documents (transcript, letter of acceptance, letter of OES/Masonic endorsement and personal essay) to the Worthy Grand Matron of the local Grand Chapter for final signature approval. The Scholarship Application along with supporting documents (transcript, letter of acceptance, letter of OES/Masonic endorsement and personal essay) should be mailed to the following address postmarked by **May 1, 2026***

**National Grand Chapter, O.E.S.  
ATTN: National Education Department  
5040 Joy Road  
Detroit, MI 48204**

### **SCHOLARSHIP TIMELINE**

- *Applications with supporting documents (transcript, letter of acceptance, letter of OES/Masonic endorsement and personal essay) are due (postmarked) by **May 1, 2026***
- *Awarded applicant will provide a graduation or academic photograph by May 1, 2026*
- *All scholarship awards will be mailed directed to your school upon enrollment verification.*
- *Awarded applicant will be announced during the Education Night Program on Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> in New Orleans, Louisiana.*



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Please **type or print** your answers below. A separate sheet may be used if needed. If application is illegible it will be returned to you.

STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION	
1	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: ____ DOB: _____ Age: _____
2	Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Home #: (____) _____ Cell #: (____) _____ Email: _____
3	Mother's Name: _____ Father's Name: _____ Cell #: (____) _____ Cell #: (____) _____ Email: _____ Email: _____
HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION	
4	Name of High School: _____ GPA: _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Telephone #: (____) _____ Principal: _____ Graduation date: _____
5	<b>SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:</b> Please list school extra-curricular activities in which you have participated. Note leadership roles and dates.
6	<b>ORGANIZATIONS:</b> Please list community organizations, volunteer and religious organizations in which you are now or previously been active. Note leadership roles and dates.
7	<b>RECOGNITIONS:</b> Please list important awards and recognitions received. Note organizations presenting honor and date.
8	<b>GOALS:</b> What are some of your short-term and long-term goals for your life?
COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY INFORMATION	
9	<b>Information for the College or University where the applicant has been accepted and plans to attend in the Fall of 2025:</b> Name of College/University: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Will you be a full-time or part-time student? _____ Do you plan to live on-campus or off-campus? _____ What do you plan to major/minor in as you continue your education? _____

ENDORSEMENT INFORMATION	
10	<p align="center"><b>Relationship to Sisters of the Order of Eastern Star or Brothers of the Masonic Body</b></p> <p>Do you have a relative or sponsor in the Order of Eastern Star or Masons? _____</p> <p>Were you a member of Sons and Daughters of Solomon? _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants must submit a letter of endorsement from an OES or Masonic relative or sponsor and the following information pertains to the person who endorsed the applicant and wrote a letter of endorsement:</li> </ul> <p>Applicant Endorsed by: (Name Printed) _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____</p> <p>Active Member ____ Non-Active Member ____ Chapter/Lodge: _____ State: _____</p>
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants must submit a 100-word maximum personal essay (12-point font) indicating "Why do you deserve this scholarship and how will this scholarship impact your future?"</li> </ul>

12	<p>A. The following criteria must be met in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the National Grand Chapter, OES National Education Department.</p> <p>B. Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached to this application. (No exceptions.)</p> <p>C. Circle "YES" or "NO" to be sure you have completed and attached each item as required.</p>		
	YES	NO	<p><b>Application</b></p> <p>All applications require signatures by applicant, parents/guardians and Worthy Grand Matron of the local Grand Chapter, OES</p>
	YES	NO	<p><b>Official High School Transcript in sealed envelope.</b></p>
	YES	NO	<p><b>Letter of college / university acceptance</b></p> <p>A letter of college enrollment or program enrollment is required for receipt of funds. College/University Student ID number will be requested if not listed on the college letter. Thank you</p>
	YES	NO	<p><b>OES/Masonic Endorsement Letter</b></p>
	YES	NO	<p><b>Graduation or Academic Photograph</b></p>
	YES	NO	<p><b>100-Word Maximum Word Personal Essay</b></p>

### STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me to the National Grand Chapter, O.E.S. National Education Department is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the National Grand Chapter, O.E.S. National Education Department Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded. I will also provide a graduation picture or photograph by May 1, 2026.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Scholarship Applicant Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Worthy Grand Matron: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

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