

International Community School PTSA Student Scholarship Application – 2021

Dear Seniors,

The International Community School PTSA is now accepting scholarship applications. These scholarships are granted to award achievement and help further the education of the chosen International Community School Senior recipients. The Scholarship Committee recognizes that achievement is demonstrated in many ways; it is not limited to grades and test scores but, just as importantly through creative and technical talents, participation in extra-curricular activities, work and volunteer efforts, and a determination for continued improvement.

The ICS PTSA will award up to a total of **4** scholarships of \$1,500 each.

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 8th, 2021	ICS PTSA Starts accepting Scholarship Applications.
April 30th, 2021	Last Date to Apply. No late or incomplete applications will be considered. All applications must be submitted electronically to vpcurriculum@icspta.org .
June 20th, 2021	Applicants will be notified, and the recipients will be announced in the PTSA newsletter on/before this date.
December 31st, 2021	<i>Last date</i> to use Scholarship amount. In the event the recipient has not used the scholarship at a college, university, or vocational school of his/her choice by December 31st, 2021 , the PTSA scholarship will remain in the ICS PTSA Scholarship fund.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. The applicant must be a graduating ICS senior and plan on continuing their education at an institution of higher learning (4-year College or University, Community College, or Vocational Technical Institute) in fall 2021.
2. The scholarships will be awarded based on multiple criteria including school involvement, community activities, academics and a personal statement.

ALLOWED EXPENSES:

Scholarship funds may only be used to pay for tuition, required textbooks, or room and board for on-campus housing.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT:

The following REQUIREMENTS must be met for your application to be accepted:

1. Complete the Application form, typewritten or legibly printed, and signed. You may submit a scan or a picture electronically via email to vpcurriculum@icspts.org
2. Provide all information requested in the application form -
 - a. Letter of Recommendation
 - b. Answers to all 3 Questions
 - c. Personal Statement
3. Submit one letter of recommendation. The recommendation may be from a coach, counselor, employer, or a non-family member who knows the applicant well. Have the author of the recommendation send it directly to vpcurriculum@icspts.org over email (not to you, to preserve confidentiality). **Note:** At the request of the ICS Staff, we WILL NOT accept letters of recommendation from members of the ICS community, including teachers, staff, students, and ICS related professionals.
4. Include only the information specifically requested in the application. (DO NOT include notebooks, portfolios, etc.)

JUDGING:

A panel of external judges (without direct connections to ICS) will select the recipients.

ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL

ICS PTSA Student Scholarship Application Form – 2021

Applicant's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone and Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

1. Letter of Recommendation

Complete the information below for the person providing a letter of recommendation.

Name: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Telephone and/or Email: _____

2. Questions and Personal Statement

Attach answers to all Questions on the following page. Please answer each question on a separate sheet of paper (four pages total). Attach a Personal Statement.

3. Affidavit

I hereby certify that my replies to all foregoing statements are true and accurate, and to the best of my knowledge all attachments submitted with my application are original, true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

This application becomes the sole property of ICS PTSA Scholarship Committee. It is recommended you keep a copy for your files. Neither ICS PTSA nor the ICS PTSA Scholarship Committee will be responsible for materials delivered late, lost, misdirected, mutilated, incomplete, or illegible.

QUESTIONS:

Please concisely answer the following questions on your qualifications; use no more than 200 words for each answer. Each one should be **typed** on separate pieces of paper (four pages total, including the personal statement).

DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THESE PAGES, SO THAT JUDGING MAY BE ANONYMOUS

1. Describe your school related activities and involvement (ASB, Music, Clubs, Activities, etc.). Describe how you contributed to and benefited the ICS community.
2. Describe your activities within your community (include sports, work, volunteer, church, clubs, etc.). Describe how you contributed to and benefited your larger community.
3. Please outline your plans for further education and what this education will mean to you.

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

Please provide a personal statement of no more than 400 words, on a single page of paper. The statement should focus on your time at ICS. You can touch on any or all of the following topics or choose your own focus about your time at ICS.

How has your time at ICS shaped the person you are and the person you hope to become?

How did you change ICS to benefit your peers or those who will follow you?

What is your favorite part of the ICS program or community and why?

What aspects of ICS could use improvement? Why and how?

Other instructions: Questions and Personal Statement **must** be typed and not handwritten. Attach soft copies, Word documents or PDFs, of these documents; don't scan or photocopy. (The application form needs to be signed and therefore requires a scan or a photocopy)