Scholarship Portal FAQs

Application Questions

Q: How do I know if my scholarship application was submitted?
A: You will receive an automatic email once you have submitted your application.

Q: How do I know which scholarships I am eligible for?
A: You will complete an eligibility quiz and see what scholarships you qualify for based on your answers.

Q: What is the deadline to submit my scholarship application? A:
February 27,2026

Q: Do I need to submit an official transcript with my application?
A: You must upload an unofficial transcript to verify your class rank and GPA (where applicable).

Q: Can I apply for more than one scholarship?
A: Yes, when submitting the universal application you are applying to all the scholarships you are eligible for.

Q: What if I only have an SAISD email address?
A: Click here to sign up for a free Gmail account.

Q: Do I need to include an essay?

A: Yes, you will need to include a 200 to 400 word essay utilizing the following prompt: *Please tell the reader why you are passionate about your career field and/or major, and what your plans are after college graduation.*

Q: Do I need to upload my ACT/SAT scores?
A: No, this is not required. However, it will help the review committee have a more complete picture of your achievements.

Q: What financial information will I need to include?
A: Annual gross family income, # of dependents, student aid index, and your employment experience. Your student aid report from FAFSA or TASFA will also be handy to have.

Q: Who do I contact for additional help?
A: If you have questions about the application, you may contact your Lead Counselor or College Bound Advisor. You can also contact the SAISD Foundation's Data and Impact Manager Ana Cardenas at acardenas5@saisd.net or call the SAISD Foundation Monday-Friday 8:00
a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 210-554-2235.

Award/Payment Questions

Q: How will I know if I have been awarded a scholarship? A: You
will receive an email in early May notifying you.

Q: What are the requirements for my scholarship acceptance?
A: 1. Stay up-to-date with the SAISD Foundation, 2. Submit a senior or graduation photo, 3. Optional:Attend events like our Dorm Room giveaway & scholarship breakfast. Before starting the fall semester, you will need to send a verification of fall enrollment. Before starting the spring semester, you will need to send fall grades and verification of spring enrollment.

Q: How will my scholarship be paid?
A: Most checks are paid directly to your institution and are paid out each semester (for example, a $1,000 scholarship will be separated into two payments, $500 in the fall and $500 in the spring).