

Jordan High School PTSA

Student Scholarship Guidelines

Application Deadline: March 31, 2023 at 11:59pm – NO EXCEPTIONS

All hard copy applications should be time-stamped and submitted to the JHS Counselor's Office.

All Google Form applications should include PDFs of all the required documents.

The Jordan High School PTSA awards scholarships to graduating seniors to encourage recipients to pursue higher education. Award selections are made based on academic achievement, service and leadership.

The selection committee consists of three members, none of whom are associated with JHS. The information that the committee receives will have all personal identifying information of the applicants removed to ensure anonymity and fairness.

Incomplete applications will not be considered, so please complete ALL the requirements listed below. Additionally, any applicant known to be receiving a full-ride scholarship will be ineligible for this scholarship award.

Application Requirements

1. You must be a graduating senior in good standing at JHS and must have attended JHS for your entire senior year.
2. You and at least one parent/guardian must have been members of the JHS PTSA for your Junior year and Senior year by December 31st of your senior year.
3. You must attend an accredited college, university or technical school.
4. You must have a high school GPA of 3.0 or higher and must submit a copy of your transcript verified by your counselor.
5. Applicants receiving a full-ride scholarship will not be considered for the PTSA scholarship. Should the student receive a full scholarship after being awarded the PTSA scholarship, the student is required to return the PTSA scholarship in full.
6. Scholarships are paid directly to the accredited university, college, or technical school. (Please be aware that some schools may choose to split the scholarship between the Fall and Spring semester. JHS PTSA has no control over this.)
7. The student must complete 20 hours of cumulative volunteer service by the time this scholarship application is submitted. Transfer students should contact either the PTSA President (President@JordanPTSA.org) or VP of Volunteers (Volunteer@JordanPTSA.org) for information about how many hours they are required to have.

Documents to Submit:

1. You must submit two letters of recommendation from the following individuals:
 - a. Any JHS faculty member or administrator
 - b. Any other source chosen by the student, provided they have no familial relationship to the applicant and are an adult (i.e., employer, coach, pastor, youth leader, etc)

Note: Out of courtesy, you should provide at least two weeks' notice to those writing letters of recommendation for them.

2. You must submit a resume of your activities throughout your entire high school career and should be listed chronologically. Be sure to include the following:
 - a. All school-related activities (clubs, athletics, fine arts programs, scholastic competitions, student council, etc)
 - b. Community involvement (church activities, service organizations, athletic clubs, etc)
 - c. Any special recognition or awards received while participating in the above activities
 - d. Leadership positions
 - e. Employment experience
3. You must submit a typed essay of 250 words or less that addresses the prompt to be announced on September 1, 2022.

Completed applications can be submitted either by: 1) Google Form, or 2) hard copy and turned in to the JHS Counselor's Office to be time-stamped.

Volunteer Hours Details

- 20 hours of volunteering that are required. Number of hours should be tracked with the name of organization supporting as well as name and email of adult contact for that program/organization to verify hours.

Specific JHS PTSA service/volunteer hours include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Attending Jordan PTSA meetings
- Volunteering at PTSA-sponsored events (i.e., PTSA programs, fundraisers, etc.)
- Volunteering for PTSA at school-sponsored events (i.e., selling spirit wear at PTSA functions such as Open House, Incoming Freshman night, etc.)
- Making homemade (NOT store-bought) treats for PTSA Hospitality events, such as pies for teachers, Christmas dessert bar, etc.
- Participating as grade-level Student Reps and attending monthly board meetings (typically held during enrichment)

The hours can be hours that support the following organizations:

- Jordan High School (but not specific clubs if the applicant is a member of that club)
- PTA-sponsored events at other Katy ISD schools

Service/volunteer hours submitted cannot be used/applied to any other organization (i.e., Force, NHS).

Examples of Volunteer Hours *(for illustrative purposes only; this list is not meant to be comprehensive)*

Examples of Hours that do NOT Qualify:

- John is in Band. John volunteers to help at the JHS band fundraiser. Since John is in the JHS band, and the hours benefit the JHS band, these hours do not qualify.
- John is in the NHS, and volunteers to help the homecoming committee create signs for homecoming. John uses these hours as part of the "required hours" for the NHS. Since the hours are used for another organization, the hours do not qualify.

Examples of Hours that DO Qualify:

- Nancy signs up to sell spirit wear for at a football game. These hours qualify for JHS PTSA service/volunteer hours.

- Nancy is in Band, and volunteers at a FFA event. These hours are eligible and applied to the hours that benefit Jordan High School.
- Nancy volunteers for Jordan organizations that she is not a member of such as concession stands, Unicef service hours, other clubs. These hours are eligible and are applied to the hours that benefit Jordan High School.
- Nancy volunteers for a KISD Junior High International Night or Elementary School Carnival, both of which events are sponsored by their respective PTAs. These hours are eligible and applied to the hours that benefit Jordan High School.
- Nancy is in the NHS, and volunteers to help the homecoming committee create signs for homecoming. Nancy does not count these hours toward the NHS, only toward PTSA hours. These hours are eligible and applied to the hours that benefit Jordan High School.

If you are unsure whether your hours qualify for the PTSA scholarship, please contact either the PTSA President, President@JordanPTSA.org, or the VP of Volunteers, Volunteer@JordanPTSA.org, for verification.

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Please type or print neatly in blue or black ink.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

College/University/Technical School Attending: _____

School Address: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ Counselor's Verification: _____

I have attended Jordan High School for the following school years: (check all that apply)

_____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Date

Printed Name of Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Application Checklist (ALL items are required – incomplete applications will not be considered)

- Student Scholarship Application (this form)
- High School Transcript verified by your counselor
- Two Letters of Recommendation (see Guidelines for instructions)
- Resume (see Guidelines for instructions)
- Essay: In 250 words or less, respond to the following prompt: What does this saying mean to you? **"I am not leaving you anything but my name, so take care of it."** By H.E. Jordan