

2018 Sequoia PTSA Junior Scholarship Application

The PTSA Junior Scholarships recognize students for academic success, community service or achievement in the face of socio-economic challenges. This is a great opportunity to start your college essays, to be recognized for your hard work and to earn some extra money to continue your education.

The deadline is Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 10:00pm.

In order for your application to be complete you must:

- 1) Be a junior at Sequoia
 - 2) Be a member of the PTSA
 - 3) Submit this application form with two essays
 - 4) Email a PDF of your transcript (follow directions below)
 - 5) Email a PDF of your resume (follow directions below)
- * Applications that do not meet all the requirements will not be considered.

The essays are very important in highlighting your achievements and your personal story. Essays will be judged by spelling, formatting and grammar, as well as content. Please make sure you ask at least one adult staff member to review your essay (ie. English/History/AVID teacher, counselor, Ms. Ignaitis) for grammar and content.

Your name and any contact information will be redacted from all parts of your application before it goes to the PTSA selection committee. Please do not identify yourself in the essays. Your information will be held in confidence.

Text entered is not saved until the application is submitted. Please only submit your application once.

Questions can be emailed to sequoiaptsa@gmail.com

* Required

1. **Email address ***

2. **Are you currently a junior (11th grader) at Sequoia High School? ***

If your answer is "No", please do not continue this application.

Check all that apply.

Yes

No

3. **Are you a current member of the Sequoia PTSA? ***

If your answer is "No", please go to the Sequoia PTSA website (www.sequoiaptsa.org) and join online before you continue this application.

Check all that apply.

Yes

If the membership dues would be a financial burden on you, check here.

4. **Name, First and Last ***

5. **School Email Address ***

6. **Telephone Number ***

7. **What is your SHS student ID? ***

8. **Which category of scholarship are you applying for? ***

Please select all that apply.

Check all that apply.

- Academic Success: a strong academic record or evidence of consistent improvement.
- Community Service: involvement/leadership in school, community, and/or other activities.
- Socio-economic resilience: students who have overcome socio-economic challenges on their path to academic success or community service.

9. **Socio-Economic Resilience**

Please check this box if you can be classified into any of the listed categories below. If you check this box, please make sure Ms. Ignaitis in the College & Career Center has the information she needs, and the scholarship committee will verify your status. The selection committee will not know which categories apply to you.

Check all that apply.

- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA); on a path for California DREAM status
- Reclassification for Fluent English Proficient (RFEP); Long-Term English Learner (LTEL)
- Foster Youth; Homeless; Free Or Reduced Lunch
- First in your family to attend college

10. **What is your WEIGHTED grade point average? ***

11. **Transcript ***

Please download your unofficial transcript from Infinite Campus as a PDF, then email that PDF to sequoiapta@gmail.com.

Check all that apply.

- Yes, I emailed a PDF of my transcript to sequoiapta@gmail.com

12. Resume *

Please copy/paste your resume from Naviance into a Word document, make it a pdf, then email that PDF file to sequoiapta@gmail.com. The resume must be directly from Naviance, but you can format it however you like. Your resume should highlight how you spend your time outside of school. Please include activities such as school clubs, community or service organizations, jobs, leadership, art, sports or family responsibilities. Also note the approximate number of hours per week/month/year you dedicated to each activity. If you have difficulty uploading your resume, please see Ms. Ignaitis.

Check all that apply.

Yes, I emailed a PDF of my resume to sequoiapta@gmail.com

13. What have you done to make your school or community a better place? *

Limit your response to 350 words. Please first write your essay in a Word or Google doc then cut and paste into the box here. Text entered here is not saved until the application is submitted. This prompt is taken directly from the UC Personal Insight Questions. For more specific information on this question see: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-questions/freshman/index.html>.

14. Describe how you have taken advantage of a significant educational opportunity or worked to overcome an educational barrier you have faced. *

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15. Is there anything else you would like us to know about you?

Please limit your response to 200 words.

A copy of your responses will be emailed to the address you provided

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