

# Graduating Girl Scout Academic Scholarship



Introduced in 2017, the Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons (GSDH) scholarship program recognizes the positive impact Girl Scouts has on the development of leadership skills and values your continued participation in Girl Scouts. The Scholarship Committee annually selects a number of registered Girl Scouts in the GSDH council to receive scholarships for study at an accredited post-secondary institution or program of their choice. Number and amount of awards will vary.

Beginning in 2019, Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons in partnership with Raven Industries, Inc. is offering the Raven STEM Career Scholarship in addition to the general academic scholarship. Review the requirements section below for details. Applicants can request to be considered for both the general and STEM scholarships.

## Procedures

To ensure applicant is given full consideration, the Girl Scout applying for a Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons scholarship must:

- Use the preceding worksheet to prepare to submit the online application found at [gsdakotahorizons.org/scholarships](https://gsdakotahorizons.org/scholarships).
- Complete the application personally and answer all questions on the application.
- Faxed or mailed applications will not be accepted for consideration nor will incomplete or late applications.

All applications become the property of GSDH and will not be returned to the applicant.

## Requirements

To ensure the application is given full consideration, applicant must:

- Be a registered member of Girl Scouts of the USA and Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons.
- Be a graduating high school senior attending high school or equivalent in the GSDH jurisdiction during the year in which the scholarship is awarded.
- Be entering her first semester of college as a full-time student within the year in which the scholarship is awarded.
- Have demonstrated leadership ability and strong participation in activities both within and outside of Girl Scouts.
- Complete all parts of the online Scholarship Application.
- Provide a transcript of high school grades covering the past 4 years.
- Submit a photocopy of ACT and/or SAT score.
- Submit a consent/photo/media release form signed by your parent or guardian.

For applicants of the Raven STEM Career Scholarship, the applicant:

- Must indicate a major in a field related to Science, Technology, Engineering or Math on the application.
- Select to be considered for the STEM Career Scholarship on the application.

## Scholarship Conditions

When accepting the scholarship, the recipient agrees to the following conditions:

- To submit Scholarship Acceptance Form to initiate first payment.
- To register for the upcoming membership year as an Adult Member or Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts of the USA and Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons by August 1.
- Achieve a 2.5 GPA (or higher) in the semester of which the 1st funds disbursement was made. Send an official transcript from the post-secondary school indicating the required 2.5 GPA (or higher) to: Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons, Attn: Sr. Director of Girl Experience, 1101 S. Marion Rd, Sioux Falls, SD 57106, or email [ge@gsdakotahorizons.org](mailto:ge@gsdakotahorizons.org). GSDH reserves the right to terminate the second-half of the scholarship if recipient's GPA falls below 2.5.
- To use funds for tuition, room and board and books.

The scholarship is limited for use at an accredited postsecondary institution or program.

GSDH pays all funds directly to the post-secondary school. The first-half of the award will be paid to the school upon confirmation of full-time status. The second and final payment is made to the post-secondary school after first semester transcript is received.

Before submitting your application in the online form, prepare the following documents:

- Essay responses 1-7 per guidelines
- Digital copy of high school transcript
- Digital copy of ACT and/or SAT score
- Consent to Apply & Photo/Media Release form
- Head & shoulders photo

To be eligible for consideration, the application form and all attachments must be submitted no later than February 1. All applicants will receive notification of her application status in writing by April 1.

# Graduating Girl Scout Scholarship Worksheet



The following responses will be entered into the online form. Use this worksheet to prepare your answers.

Please consider my application for: (check all that apply)

General Scholarship

Raven STEM Career Scholarship

## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## High School Information

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date (MM/YY): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Post-Secondary Information

Field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary school(s) I have applied to (in order of preference):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



# Consent of Applicant and Parent/Guardian



I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons scholarship and hereby submit my application. All information and statements on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I have read and approved the scholarship application in its entirety.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Photo/Media Release

We understand that by accepting the Graduating Girl Scout Scholarship the recipient may be photographed for print, video or electronic imaging. We understand that the images may be used in promotional materials, news releases and other published formats for either Girl Scouts–Dakota Horizons or Girl Scouts of the USA. We acknowledge that the images will be the sole property of Girl Scouts Dakota Horizons and Girl Scouts of the USA.

Name of Applicant/Minor: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)                      First                      Last

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)                      First                      Last

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/guardian must sign if 18 years of age or younger)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_