2021-2022 WWIN Star Scholarship Application Preview

This preview is provided so that applicants can prepare responses and gather necessary information and documents before completing and submitting the online application. Applicants are advised to pay extra attention to Part 5: Narrative and Part 6: Supporting Documentation on pages 4-5.

Applications and documentation must be submitted online prior to the deadline of 11:59 pm PT on April 10, 2021.

Eligibility

- 1. Do you identify as a woman? *
- 2. Do you currently live in Washington state and have been living in Washington for at least the past 12 months? *
- 3. Are you a United States Citizen, Permanent Resident, Asylee, Refugee, or Current DACA Recipient to the United States? *
- 4. Have you submitted your 2021-2022 FAFSA or WASFA application and received your Student Aid Report (SAR)? *
- 5. Are you currently enrolled at or admitted into a college or university approved by the Washington College Grant for the 2021-2022 academic year? Approved schools can be found at: https://wsac.wa.gov/sfa-institutions *
- 6. In the 2021-2022 academic year, will you be working toward an Associate's degree, certificate, technical degree, or your first Bachelor's degree? *
- 7. Have you already completed a Bachelor's degree? *

Part 1 - Personal Information

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Email Address *

Phone Number *

Date of Birth *

Current Age *

Mailing Address * Include unit number if applicable

City *

County where you reside (ex. King, Snohomish, Thurston, or any other county in Washington state) *

Zip Code *

If you will have a different mailing address as of September 1, 2021, please list it here.

Marital Status *

How do you identify your race/ethnicity? *

Do you identify as LGBTQIA+? *

Are you a United States Veteran? *

Part 2 - Academic Information

Which college or university are you accepted into/enrolled at for the 2021-2022 academic year? *

Important: List the full name of the school, ex. "University of Washington" not "UW", and check for spelling errors.

Why did you choose to attend that college or university? *

Which type of degree program will you be in during the 2021-2022 academic year? *

What term schedule is your school on? *

What will be your major or field of study? *

Is your field of study considered STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)? *

To the best of your knowledge at this time, what is your anticipated graduation date from your college degree program? (ex. Summer 2022 may enter 6/1/2022) *

If you are currently in an Associate's degree program with plans to transfer immediately afterwards to a Bachelor's degree program, what would be your anticipated graduation date from your Bachelor's degree program?

What is your most recent cumulative GPA? *

Part 3 - Financial and Household Information

Are you the first in your family to attend college? *

Per the FAFSA documents, are you considered a dependent student or an independent student? *

If FAFSA considers you a dependent student, but you consider yourself to be independent, please explain.

Which situation best describes your living situation for the Fall 2021 term? *

Would you consider yourself the sole or primary provider for yourself or your family? *

How many family members, including yourself, are in your household? *

(Note: If you are not currently living with family but are considered a dependent student per FAFSA, please include yourself/family members in your current household AND any family members in your parents'/quardians' household.)

Read carefully: Please list the first name, age, and relationship of each member of your household counted in the previous question, including yourself. (Example: Michelle, 30, self. Julia, 10, daughter.) *

Do you have children? *

How many dependent children do you have living at home with you? *

Do you consider yourself a single mother? *

Were you raised by a single mother for all or part of your childhood? *

Do you or any family members in your household receive any form of state assistance? If so, please list or describe. *

Did someone claim you as a dependent on the most recent tax return? *

How many people did you claim as dependents on your most recent tax return? *

Are you currently employed? *

Do you plan to be employed during the 2021-2022 school year? *

Currently, what is your household's total monthly income from employment? * Monthly, NOT Annual

What is your household's current monthly income from unemployment benefits? *

What is your household's current monthly income from public benefits? *

Current monthly income from child support? *

Current monthly income from family or friend assistance? *

Please provide additional information on the above answers as needed.

What changes, if any, do you anticipate you will have to the above monthly income during the 2021-2022 academic year?

What is your total estimated Cost of Attendance for the 2021-2022 academic year? *

This number will include your costs for tuition, fees, books, housing, etc. for the full academic year. This information should be located on either your Financial Aid Award Letter or your school's website.

Please list other grants and scholarships you have already been awarded, including amount, for the 2021-2022 academic year. *

How much do you estimate that you will need to take out in total student loans for the 2021-2022 academic year? *

If you are not selected to receive a WWIN Star Scholarship, would you still be able to attend college in the 2021-2022 academic year? Please explain. *

What is the highest level of education you have completed to date? *

Part 4 - How did you hear about WWIN?

How did you find out about WWIN? *

If you have applied for a WWIN grant or scholarship in the past, please list which grant(s) and when.

If you have received a WWIN grant in the past, please list which grant(s) and when.

Part 5 - Narrative

Our reviewers focus primarily on answers to these short essay questions, so please be as thoughtful, honest, and thorough as possible when completing them. Responses of only one or two sentences are discouraged as it makes it difficult for our reviewers to fully understand who you are as an applicant. We appreciate your willingness to share.

* IMPORTANT NOTE: Please do not include names of yourself or your family members in your responses to these essay questions. *

First, please tell us about yourself in your own words. *

1. What about WWIN's vision, mission, and values appeals to you the most, and why? *

Read about our vision, mission, and values at: https://wwin.org/about-wwin/

- 2. Which of your accomplishments makes you the most proud, and why? *
- 3. Please tell us about a time when you overcame a significant obstacle and how you did it. *
- 4. What career are you working to attain? Please describe how this career will provide a living-wage and allow you to be economically stable. *
- 5. What research have you done to determine this is the best career choice for you? What steps do you need to take to achieve your career goal? *
- 6. How will your education and working in your desired career benefit you, your family, and your community? *

Part 6 - Supporting Documentation

IMPORTANT: For your application to be considered, you will need to email your supporting documentation to: www.wwin.org. All of your documents MUST be in one of these approved file formats: PDF, Word, or JPEG. It is preferred that you send all documents as attachments to one email if possible. Your application will not be considered unless all required documents are received before the application deadline of 11:59 pm PT on 4/10/21.

Please note that the email address above is ONLY for sending supporting documentation, so please do not send urgent questions there. Our small staff does not have the capacity to check your documents for accuracy prior to the application deadline, so please read the below carefully and submit all required documents or your application will not be considered. If you have specific questions, email programs@wwin.org and we will do our best to respond in a timely manner. Thank you!

REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

- 1. Valid Washington State Driver's License or Washington State ID Card
- 2. Social Security Card or Permanent Resident Card (Green Card). It is acceptable to cover the first few digits for your protection.
- 3. Full 2021-2022 Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA or WASFA
- 4. Tax Returns used to prepare the 2021-2022 FAFSA or WASFA (or proof of non-filing). If you are a dependent student, this will also include the tax return of the person who claims you as a dependent.
- 5. Verification of enrollment or acceptance at an approved Washington college or university
- 6. Most recent unofficial transcript (high school or college)
- 7. Official 2021-2022 Financial Aid Award Letter from the school you will be attending This must be official and must be for the 2021-2022 academic year. If you have not received this yet, state that in your email and be sure to email it to us as soon as you do receive it. This is the ONLY document on the list that can be received after the application deadline.