



2022 SEDALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION (SSDF) AND SEDALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT #200 PTA/PTO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

\$68,000 in scholarships available only to graduates of Smith-Cotton and Whittier High Schools

How to Apply for Sedalia School District Foundation AND SSD #200 PTA/PTO Scholarship in 10 steps:

1. Graduate from Smith-Cotton or Whittier Alternative High School in December 2021 or May 2022.
2. Know your student lunch pin number:
 - a. Identify yourself by your Sedalia School District student lunch pin number on all parts of the application.
 - b. Contact the counselor's office if you do not know your lunch pin.
3. Complete Application:
 - a. Fill out the Student Background Page including Personal Information and Financial Statement. Fill in blanks as completely as possible. Include information that will be helpful to determine financial need in the Financial Statement.
 - b. Read scholarship criteria thoroughly in the Scholarship Selection pages. Place an "X" or check mark in the box beside the scholarships for which you are applying. Look for a match with the university, college, or trade/technical school you will attend. Look for a match with your planned major or area of study. Look for a match with the activities you were involved in during high school.
 - c. Apply for Sedalia School District #200 PTA/PTO Scholarships. Place an "X" or check mark in the box beside the elementary school you attended, also Smith-Cotton Junior High if you attended there, and complete the EXTRA ESSAY to apply.
 - d. Ask a teacher who knows you to fill out the Student Evaluation Form. Provide the teacher with your student lunch pin. Ask the teacher to return the form to the SCHS counselor's office by the deadline.
4. Provide two letters of recommendation:
 - a. First recommendation letter should be from school personnel such as a classroom teacher, club sponsor, coach, para, administrator, counselor, etc.
 - b. Second recommendation letter should be from an adult outside the school district such as a work supervisor, youth pastor, scout leader, coach, etc.
 - c. Letters should be generic in nature while the recommendation itself should be specific regarding your attitude, academic ability, college potential, and personal attributes. Please give your student lunch pin to those writing your letters of recommendation to use in identifying you in letter.
5. Write a general essay on the topic "Why I should be chosen for this scholarship":
 - a. Please use your student lunch pin and not your name when identifying yourself on essay.



- b. Essay should be legible and grammatically correct.
- c. If you are applying for scholarships with the criteria of “financial need”, be sure to address the financial challenges you or your family face in your general essay.

6. Attach a list of your leadership qualifications, academic honors, awards, community service, co-curricular or extracurricular activities, and job experiences during high school:

- a. You may wish to construct this list like a resume.
- b. Please use your student lunch pin and not your name when identifying yourself on a list or resume, and do not include personally identifiable information such as your phone number, address, or email address.

7. Remember additional essays and coach letters:

- a. If an additional essay or coach letter is required, that is noted with the term “EXTRA ESSAY” or “EXTRA LETTER” in the Scholarship Selection pages.
- b. Thoughtfully address the topic in the EXTRA ESSAY. If EXTRA ESSAY asks specific questions, then answer those questions.

8. Turn everything in by the DEADLINE:

The completed application and all accompanying documents must be submitted together to the Smith-Cotton High School Counselor’s office or brockc@sedalia200.org on **February 11, 2022 by 4 p.m.**

9. Mark your calendar:

Scholarship recipients will be announced at Senior Awards Night on May 4, 2022. The Smith-Cotton High School counselor’s office will personally notify students if they should attend Senior Awards Night because they are receiving a scholarship. The Foundation hosts a reception for donors and our scholarship recipients one hour prior to Senior Awards Night. Students receiving scholarships from the SSDF, and their parents, are invited to this event.

10. Say “Thank You”

Foundation scholarship recipients must write a thank you note to a donor by July 1, 2022. Scholarship recipients will receive the name and address of the donor at Senior Awards Night.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND HELPFUL TIPS

READ THE ENTIRE SCHOLARSHIP PACKET CAREFULLY:

Pay attention to what type of student is intended to receive the scholarship. Criteria for selecting recipients was determined by scholarship donor committees when creating the scholarship. Donors designated the area of study, community and school activities, the university or technical school, financial need, etc. that reflected their values and interest while keeping the criteria as broad and competitive as possible.

ASK FOR LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

You may receive a better letter of recommendation from someone who does not have to rush through it.

IF I APPLY FOR 12 SCHOLARSHIPS, DO I NEED TO MAKE 12 COPIES OF MY APPLICATION?

No. One complete application packet with essays and letters of recommendation is to be turned in to the Smith-Cotton High School counselor's office. Copies will be made for you.

DO I NEED TO WRITE THE GENERAL ESSAY "WHY I SHOULD BE CHOSEN FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP" AND THE "EXTRA ESSAY"?

Yes, write the general essay as well as EXTRA ESSAYS required by individual scholarships you check marked.

WHAT IF I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WANT TO MAJOR IN?

There are still plenty of Foundation Scholarships available for undecided majors – please review the list carefully.

WHAT DO I PUT ON MY APPLICATION FOR "HOW WILL YOU PAY FOR YOUR EDUCATION?"

Write down what you know. For example, Bright Flight, academic, or athletic scholarships automatically offered by the college you are planning to attend. If you plan to work part-time while in college mark the work/employment box. Check mark the box beside financial aid you have or will apply for or expect to receive, for example student loans. If you are applying for scholarships with the criteria of "financial need," be sure to address the financial challenges you or your family face in your general essay.

FOLLOW THE SEDALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION ON TWITTER OR FACEBOOK

We will be posting helpful information to our social media accounts during the application season.

APPLICATION PACKET is available online as a pdf fillable form at: sedaliasdf.org/scholarships/

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This page is only for identification purposes in the Smith-Cotton High School counselor's office. It will be removed before application is sent to scholarship committees for selection.

Student Name: _____

Student Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Lunch Pin: _____



2022 Scholarship Application - Guidance Counselor page

(To be filled out in the Smith-Cotton High School counselor's office)

Student lunch pin:			
Date received:			
Received by:			
Class rank:		Number in class:	
ACT/SAT:		7 th Semester GPA:	
Attendance %:			
Counselor's signature:			



2022 Scholarship Application - Student Background page

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Student lunch pin:	
Planned major/degree:	
College/trade school planning to attend:	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total number of people living in your household:	
Number of people in household under 18 years of age:	
Ages of children in household:	
Including yourself, the number of people in household enrolling in college/ trade school next year:	
Estimated annual cost of attending your college or trade school:	\$

How will you pay for your education?

Place an x or checkmark in the box next to the funding you have applied for or will use when paying for college or trade school. In the blank, estimate the amount you expect to receive or contribute towards your education annually.

<input type="checkbox"/>	A+ Scholarship	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal financial assistance (FAFSA)	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Loans	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Work/employment	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent/family assistance	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other scholarship(s)	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personal savings	\$

Total income of household:

<input type="checkbox"/> Under \$50,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000-\$75,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75,000-\$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Over \$100,000
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List any major indebtedness for which your family is responsible:

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2022 Scholarship Application – Scholarship Selection

Please place an X or check mark in the box beside the scholarships for which you are applying

CHECK HERE TO APPLY	SCHOLARSHIP NAME	AWARD QTY	SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Allen-Miller Family	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to any degree Financial need Actively involved at Smith-Cotton and in community, community involvement can consist of after-school job Scholarship renewable with 3.0 GPA in college
<input type="checkbox"/>	Joe Arbisi Memorial	<u>\$250</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must have been a member of the high school swim team Preference will be given to candidates that swam with BANDITS Swim Team and/or plan to be on college swim team
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bill G. Arnold Athletic	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum of a "C" average Participation in high-school sports <p>EXTRA LETTER: Letter of recommendation from a coach</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Allen Bess Instrumental Music Scholarship	<u>\$250</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student pursuing a degree in instrumental music Graduating in the top 50% of their class Actively involved in orchestra, marching band, concert band, pep band, or jazz band at SCHS Actively involved in instrumental music groups in the community Students with financial need will be given priority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Morris K. Byrum Memorial	<u>\$500</u> 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student pursuing any degree or with any high school GPA Available to help students with financial assistance in receiving a post-secondary education either at a college or trade school
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gerald O. and Helen E. Cecil Memorial	<u>Varies Up to \$500</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student with financial need will be given priority Student attending any accredited public institution of higher learning including technical schools, trade schools, junior colleges, colleges or universities, with preference for those attending local and in-state institutions Students should demonstrate respect and appreciation for fellow classmates, teachers and administration Students should demonstrate respect and consideration for living in Sedalia Student should demonstrate positive can-do attitude
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cedar Hill	<u>\$2000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College bound seniors graduating in the top 50% of their class Demonstrated their respect and appreciation of Sedalia through civic organization or other community service Participated in diverse high school activities or groups Demonstrated respect for all members of their class and teachers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coffelt Family	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing a degree in music or business Attending a technical school Applicants must have a GPA of 2.75 or above Renewable up to three academic years
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cordry Family	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available to student who received special education services, defined as an IEP, 504 or speech services, while enrolled in the Sedalia School District #200. Available to any GPA Student should be actively involved in their community and at Smith-Cotton High School Scholarship can be used for any post-secondary degree program including a trade school

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Covered Bridge Heritage Vocational Fund	<u>\$750</u> 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two awards per year: one \$750 award to a student enrolling in a Health Sciences program at State Fair Community College and one \$750 award to a student enrolling in an Industrial and Manufacturing Technology program at State Fair Community College GPA of 2.50 or higher Desire to serve the Sedalia/Pettis County area post vocational education Priority given to applicant with financial need <p>EXTRA ESSAY: Write a two or three paragraph essay that supports your interest in the profession/trade you have chosen and serving the community</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coach Ross Dey Baseball	<u>\$250</u> <u>Per</u> <u>semester</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCHS baseball player who has earned 2 varsity letters in baseball Intends on playing collegiate baseball Renewable if student plays collegiate baseball and maintains a 2.5 GPA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ron Ditzfeld Legacy Scholarship	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active cadet in Smith-Cotton High School JROTC Actively involved at Smith-Cotton and in community Open to any degree Open to any GPA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jane McCurdy Dugan Memorial	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deserving student with financial need and academic potential Consideration to those with special circumstances
<input type="checkbox"/>	Frances Elizabeth Rapp Ely Memorial	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to students pursuing any degree Student must show financial need Student must show active involvement in the community and at Smith-Cotton
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bill Evans/Beryl Thomas Memorial	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing a music degree
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perry Conrad Fairfax Athletic-Academic	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attending University of Missouri at Columbia (Mizzou) College of Engineering SCHS football player (minimum of one varsity letter in football) Attended SCHS for 4 years Highest cumulative GPA from 9-12 of all applicants
<input type="checkbox"/>	Earl R. Finley	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attending a university or four-year-college to study for any degree 3.0 GPA Must show financial need
<input type="checkbox"/>	Franklin Family	<u>\$500</u> <u>minimum</u> Varies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moral character Public Service Financial need Leadership Academic Excellence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thom Fuller Memorial	<u>\$1000</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants must have been actively involved in the Smith-Cotton High School theatre department either on or behind the stage Scholarship is open to students pursuing any degree and with any GPA First priority will be given to those with financial need

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Jordan Ali Halane Music	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants must be pursuing a music degree of any kind Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 <p>EXTRA ESSAY OR PROJECT: Applicants must creatively illustrate their desire to pursue music at the collegiate level. They may submit an essay, a video recording of a performance, or a composition, etc.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	H.W. Harris	\$1000 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student must be attending the University of Missouri at Columbia (Mizzou) Student must exhibit financial need Student must exhibit a strong scholastic record and ACT/SAT scores Student should have been involved in extracurricular activities which require commitment and challenge. Student must exhibit some consistent work-related activities which helped support the student Student must be of high moral character <p>EXTRA ESSAY: Applicants must submit an essay describing why they are applying for the H.W. Harris Scholarship and why they desire to attend the University of Missouri-Columbia (MU). Student should be specific in essay in describing how they took a leadership position in extracurricular activities. Include any special financial need circumstances.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Myron T. Herrick	\$750 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attending University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg Minimum 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jim & Judy Holman	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General scholarship open to student pursuing any degree. No GPA or extracurricular requirements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Donna and Larry Howard Memorial	\$1000 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Male or female athlete Academic and leadership aptitude <p>EXTRA LETTER: Recommendation letter from high school coach</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	CH. & Pauline Joy	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing an agriculturally related degree <i>(Farming, pre-veterinary science, agri-business or agri-science)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Glenn M. (Mack) and Dorothy M. (Pierce) Kell for Academics	\$250 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based upon academic aptitude <p>EXTRA ESSAY: Responses should be in complete sentences and typed. Answer these three questions: 1. What degree have you chosen as your major? 2. What led you to this degree choice? 3. What would you like to do once you have this degree?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Glenn M. (Mack) and Dorothy M. (Pierce) Kell for Music	\$250 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing degree in music
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charles A. Ledgerwood	\$750 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing a life-science related degree <i>(conservation, biology, medical, etc.)</i> Minimum 3.0 GPA on 4.0 scale Campus and community involvement <p>EXTRA ESSAY: "In 250 words or less, articulate your goals and what experiences or motivating factors led to your career choice. Also, discuss what impact you hope to have by pursuing your chosen career."</p>

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sharon Maggard-Mateja Memorial	\$1000 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing a degree in art related field or studied and shown proficiency in the visual arts in high school.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Major Saver	\$500 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale Pursuing an education degree Attending a Missouri college/university <p>NOTE: <i>Students who previously received an SSDF Dual Credit Scholarship are not eligible for this scholarship.</i></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Midwest Computech	Laptop 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student majoring in Information Technology or Education in the technology field Laptop will be a current model laptop with modern technology specifications
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eva Mothersbaugh Memorial	Up to \$2000 Varies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deserving student with financial need Pursuing a degree in the communication arts preferred but not required
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rob Parkhurst Memorial	\$500 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to any major Minimum 3.0 GPA on 4.0 scale Demonstrated respect and appreciation of Sedalia through civic or community service Actively involved in SCHS activities or groups <p>EXTRA ESSAY: <i>Submission must be typed. Answer the following three questions:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Who in your life has been your biggest influence and why?</i> <i>From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education?</i> <i>Describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your field of study and future goals.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Steve Schilb "It's never too late to do the right thing"	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to students pursuing any degree but applicants pursuing a degree in education will be given preference Applicants with financial need will be given preference Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
<input type="checkbox"/>	Skip Schulz Say You Will	\$500 2	<p>Skip Schulz's philosophy was "Say You Will and prove it." In his 30 years of teaching mathematics and coaching football and baseball, he would encourage by saying, "Say you will."</p> <p>EXTRA ESSAY: <i>"In a four-paragraph essay, explain how you will use these words of encouragement and this scholarship to succeed in college."</i></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sedalia School District Foundation General	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community involvement Financial need <p>EXTRA ESSAY: <i>"Give us three lessons or suggestions that you have learned from your high school experience that you would share with incoming high school students."</i></p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Shelby Memorial	\$500 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deserving student Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale Attending University of Missouri at Columbia (Mizzou)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Gary and Larry Siron	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open to students pursuing any degree at an accredited two or four-year college, university, or trade school ● Applicants should demonstrate financial need ● Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher ● Applicants should have participated in extracurricular activities either associated with Smith-Cotton or in the form of meaningful employment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Smith-Cotton High School Alumni	<u>\$500</u> 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Child or grandchild of a Smith-Cotton graduate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alumni's name: _____ ○ Alumni's graduation year: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conrad Stephens	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open to students pursuing any degree at an accredited two or four-year college, university, or trade school. Applicants pursuing a degree in an agriculturally related field will be given preference ● Applicants should demonstrate financial need ● Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher ● Applicants should have participated in extracurricular activities either associated with Smith-Cotton or in the form of meaningful employment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seth Wagenknecht	<u>\$500</u> 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● College bound senior attending any accredited university and graduating in the top 50% of their senior class ● Demonstrated respect and appreciation of Sedalia through civic or community service ● Participated in diverse high school activities or groups ● Demonstrated respect for all members of their class and teachers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Joan Walker Memorial	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pursuing a secondary education degree with emphasis in English ● Intends on becoming a high school English teacher
<input type="checkbox"/>	Norma M. Wells	<u>\$500</u> 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open to any degree or GPA ● Must show financial need ● Preference to student in single-parent home but not required

(The amount and number of scholarships awarded may vary as endowments change in value.)



2022 Scholarship Application - Sedalia School District #200 PTA/PTO Scholarships

- Applicant must have attended the school to apply
- Applicants must attend a community college, four-year college, university, or trade school beginning with the fall semester of the 2022-2023 school year.

EXTRA ESSAY:

Please attach an essay explaining how being a student in the Sedalia #200 District positively affected your development as a student (academically, socially, emotionally, etc.). How did the experience influence your plans for after high school in your college and/or career choices?

CHECK HERE TO APPLY	SCHOLARSHIP NAME	AWARD QTY	SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Heber Hunt	$\frac{\$500}{1}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Heber Hunt Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Horace Mann	$\frac{\$500}{1}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Horace Mann Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkview	$\frac{\$250}{2}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Parkview Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Skyline	$\frac{\$250}{2}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Skyline Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Washington	$\frac{\$250}{2}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Washington Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Smith-Cotton Junior High	$\frac{\$300}{5}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Smith-Cotton Junior High School



2022 Scholarship Application - Student Evaluation Form

Students: Please ask a classroom teacher to complete this evaluation form.

Student lunch pin:	
Teacher name:	
In the space below, list the class or classes in which you taught the student during his/her high school career:	
Please evaluate the student in each of the following areas using the following key:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Outstanding (top 2-3% of students in class) 2. Excellent (in top 10% of class) 3. Above average 4. Average 5. Below average 	

	Academic achievement		Leadership skills
	Intellectual ability		Moral/ethical behavior
	Expressing ideas		Goal setting
	Study habits		Meets obligations on time
	Motivation		Shows concern/respect for others
	Level of maturity		Respected by others

Additional comments about this student and their future potential:			
Signature of teacher:		Date:	

Teacher: Please submit this completed form to the counselor's office by 4 p.m. on day of deadline

Deadline: February 11, 2022

This year's Senior Counselor: brockc@sedalia200.org