

2024 Spouse Scholarship Application Packet

**Sponsored by:
The Eglin
Spouses' Club**

All applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN Thursday, 15 February 2024.

(Note: Application is 10 pages total, including this cover sheet)

The Eglin Spouses' Club is dedicated to assisting various organizations with charitable donations and awarding college scholarships. Thanks to our hardworking volunteers of the Eglin Thrift shop, located in Bldg. 721 on Eglin AFB, the ESC is able to fund charitable endeavors such as these scholarships.

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2024 Spouse Scholarship Application

The Eglin Spouses Club (ESC) annually sponsors scholarships for dependent spouse students who exhibit potential and desire to complete a program leading to a college degree (full or part-time/6 hours semester) for an undergraduate or graduate, or certification license. Financial support for these awards is provided by the Eglin Thrift Shop and other charitable activities associated with the ESC. Scholarship amounts will be determined by funding availability.

If additional award money is allocated, it may be distributed at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee using the eligibility and selection criteria listed below. All awards may not be given if candidates do not meet eligibility and selection criteria.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: At the time the scholarship application is due, the dependent spouse must possess a high school diploma or equivalent, be of good character and must meet the following criteria:

1. Planning to seek undergraduate, graduate, associate, or similar degree/diploma from an accredited 2 or 4-year college, university, or vocational-technical school; **AND**
2. Be a dependent of an active duty, retired or deceased military member; **AND**
3. Be in possession, or eligible for possession, of a military ID card allowing full benefits (that does not expire before 31 May 2024); **AND**
4. Reside within a 40-mile radius of Eglin Air Force Base **OR** be the dependent of a sponsor stationed at Eglin Air Force Base

The Scholarship Committee shall determine eligibility. A separate/independent review committee will be the final determining body for awarded scholarships. Each recipient is notified by mail of his or her selection. This award will be withdrawn if the recipient accepts a scholarship from another military Spouses' Club. The award will be withdrawn if the recipient fails to enroll in an institution of higher learning within six months of receiving said award.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- A) Academic record (GPA/Progress towards Degree/Academic Awards/Honors)
- B) Employment and Community activities
- C) Essays
- D) Two References

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SPOUSES' SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

All applications must be postmarked **NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 2024**. For more information contact: scholarship.eglinspousesclub@gmail.com. Applicant will receive an email confirming receipt of application by 21 March 2024. **Failure to complete these instructions correctly will result in disqualification.** Use this checklist as you complete your application packet to include:

- ___1. Completed Personal Data Sheet (page 4).
- ___2. Transcripts (official copies) from college or high school. Note: .pdf or printed.pdf's will not be considered official.
- ___3. High School Diploma or GED (if highest degree earned).
- ___4. Completed Activity Data Sheet (pages 5-6) (applicant may handwrite information on the form provided or submit a similarly formatted typewritten form).
- ___5. Two (2) completed recommendations. Recommendation pages have been provided for you on **page 7 and 8** of the application. These references should be employers or anyone you have contact with on a regular basis---someone who knows you and can attest to your character and may NOT be family members. Give a copy of the form to your references and ask them to return it to you in a SEALED envelope, with their signature across the seal. The references should not refer to the applicant's name or gender (like he/she, him/her). Instead use "this candidate," "this applicant," "this individual." etc. This protects your identification and ensures fairness during judging. Two references **must** be included with your completed application.
- ___6. Two Student Essays (essay questions attached on page 11:
 - The essays must be **double spaced** and typed using **Times New Roman 12pt font**.
 - **Do NOT** use your name, school, or position so that the essay may be evaluated objectively.
 - **The last 4 digits of your SSN must be placed at the bottom of the pages** for identification purposes. Without the number, your essays are not identifiable.
- ___7. Category of Application (page 9)
- ___8. Certification page (page 10)
- ___9. Mail completed application printed single sided (write in SSN Last 4 on bottom of each page) to:

Eglin Spouses' Club Scholarship 2022
c/o ESC
P.O. Box 1862
Eglin AFB, FL 32542

___10. Initial each number on the checklist and sign on the bottom of this page acknowledging that you have completed it and all components of the application have been submitted together. Failure to do so will result in DISQUALIFICATION of the application.

SIGNATURE: _____

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PERSONAL DATA SHEET

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION	
NAME (Last, First, Middle)	
Applicant's Last Four (SSN):	
Address (Street, City, State, Zip):	Name of High School OR College Most Recently Attended:
	E-mail address:
Home Phone Number:	Cell Phone:
SPONSOR'S INFORMATION	
Sponsor's Eligibility Category: (Check One) Active Duty ___ Retired ___ Deceased ___ Deployed ___ Remote ___ POW/MIA ___	
Sponsor's Name	Rank/Grade
Sponsor's Organization	Sponsor's Last 4 (SSN)
Organization Address	Duty Phone Number:
	Home/Cell Phone Number:
Current Mailing Address (if different than applicant's)	E-mail Address:
	Sponsor's ID Card Expiration Date:

How did you hear about our scholarship? (Google, Facebook, email, word of mouth, other:

Did you or will you apply for another spouse club scholarship?

If so, which spouse's club?

Are you a member of the Eglin Spouses' Club? YES / NO

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ACTIVITY DATA SHEET (1)

Please detail your employment/volunteer activities for the past two years to include:

1. Any clubs, activities, organizations, sports, etc., you were/are involved with. Please specify if you held a leadership position. For example: Troop/Den Leader, Coach, etc.
2. Each community / volunteer / church activity. Specify if you held a leadership position.
3. Honors / Academic Awards / recognitions received

Use additional pages if needed, using the same format.

EDUCATIONAL DATA		
High school(s) or College(s) attended (Name, City, State)	Dates Attended From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr	

EMPLOYMENT. List most recent PAID employment first.			
Company and Job Title	Total Hours per Month	Dates employed From Mo/Yr - To Mo/Yr	
Eg: Pizza Hut Store #125, Hostess/Wait staff,	200	6/2017	Present

TOTAL HOURS: _____

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ACTIVITY DATA SHEET (2)

Activity, Award, Honors, Organizations, Certificates, Credentials	Number of Months/ Years	Paid or Volunteer	Hours Per Week	Description of Activity, Award, Honor, or Organization.

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Recommendation 2

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Rarely ObservedAbove and Beyond

- 1. Is polite and courteous
- 2. Possesses good decision-making skills
- 3. Handles difficult situations well
- 4. Demonstrates good time management (Example: turns in complete assignments promptly)
- 5. Maintains good peer relationships
- 6. Accepts responsibility and follows through
- 7. Demonstrates integrity
- 8. Is self-motivated
- 9. Perseveres through commitment, regardless of difficulty.

Do not use applicant's name, as judging is impartial and names are not to be included.
Please give your assessment of this applicant's potential for success in college. Indicate how long and in what capacity you have known him/her. You may use the space provided OR attach a separate piece of paper to this form.

Applicant's last 4 of SSN

Reference Name, Position, and Phone Number

Date

Writer: Please return reference form in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal to the applicant so that they may mail it with their completed application. Thank you.

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CATEGORY OF APPLICATION

A) Undergraduate _____

B) Graduate _____

High School Diploma or GED (date received and institution name) and GPA: If submitting a GED, we must have proof of GPA. Current college courses are acceptable only if completed and grades have been assigned.

Associate Degree/Baccalaureate Degree (date received and institution name, if applicable) and GPA:

Current College Enrollment (dates attended and institution name, if applicable) and GPA:

Total semester hours completed (if applicable): _____

Major course of study: _____

Student ID#: _____

School Address:

Attention: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City/State: _____

Zipcode: _____

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2024 Spouse Scholarship Application Certification

I certify that the information in the application and activity data sheet is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and my essay is entirely my own effort. I further certify that I am a military dependent in possession of a valid military ID in my name, and I meet all other ESC Scholarship Award eligibility requirements. Should I accept an ESC Scholarship Award, I acknowledge that the following restrictions apply:

1) All funds received shall be applied to tuition, books, and/or academic fees at a regionally accredited college or university. Award checks will be sent to the financial aid office at the school of your choice upon receipt of enrollment verification at full time status and distributed by the financial aid office as needed. Scholarship recipient must provide the ESC with the name and address of the college and their student ID (no later than June 1, 2024). The award, when combined with other scholarships, may not exceed the costs of tuition, books and academic fees. If this occurs, the balance must be returned to the ESC scholarship committee as soon as possible. Students accepting service academy appointments or full scholarships (tuition, books, and fees) are not eligible to receive an ESC Scholarship Award. If the ESC Scholarship Award recipient later leaves school and is entitled to any refund of tuition or fees, he or she must notify the ESC.

2) ESC Scholarship Awards must be used within the 2024-2025 school year. The Scholarship Committee may consider exceptions on an individual basis.

3) If an applicant receives a Spouses' Club scholarship from any other base, they will be ineligible to receive an ESC scholarship (if awarded).

Should I accept an ESC Scholarship Award and violate any of these restrictions, or if I failed to meet the eligibility requirements at the time the application was due, my parents and I agree to return all award money to the ESC. Relinquished scholarship money will be dispersed at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, I agree that my signature on this form will authorize the Scholarship Chairperson to release copies of my transcripts, scholarship application, social security number, and other auxiliary data to the Scholarship Committee as needed.

APPLICANT'S NAME (Print): _____

SSN (Last 4) : xxx-xx- _____ **PHONE:** _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

(Waived if Sponsor is deployed, on remote or deceased – Please indicate on signature line)

Please review your application prior to mailing. Only fully completed applications will be accepted by the ESC. Failure to accurately follow directions will result in disqualification. Good Luck!

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Certification

Essay Questions

- The essays must be **double spaced** and typed using **Times New Roman 12pt font**.
- **Do NOT** use your name, school, or position so that the essay may be evaluated objectively.
- **The last 4 digits of your SSN must be placed at the bottom of the pages** for identification purposes. Without the number, your essays are not identifiable.

Essay 1: Attach a typed essay of 500-600 words in length answering the following question:

If you had an unlimited amount of money, what charity would you create? Who would it benefit? Why would you choose to create it?

Essay 2: Attach a typed essay of 100-200 words in length answering the following question:

What military values have been an important part of your life?

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Please include the information for the college/university you are attending to the best of your ability:

1.) Student Name _____

2.) Student ID# _____

3.) School address which the award check should be mailed to:

Attention: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City/State: _____

Zipcode: _____

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