



2024 HLAA Fox Valley Chapter Scholarship Application

Applicants may be high school seniors or current college students who are completing their first or second year of college who live in the greater Fox Valley Region. Applicants must be students with hearing loss who use hearing aids or cochlear implants to participate in the hearing mainstream, who seek to enter college in Fall 2024 or who are already in their first or second year of college.

One \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded and paid directly to the awardee's college at the end of a successful fall 2024 semester. Deadline for submission is March 15. The scholarship winner will be notified on or before April 1st. The awardee will be recognized at the HLAA State Conference on the weekend of April 26-27, 2024.

The scholarship recipient will agree to contribute back to HLAA Fox Valley Chapter in some way to further the organization's mission which is "To open the world of communication for people with hearing loss through education, information sharing, peer support and advocacy". This could be accomplished by writing an article for our newsletter, by sharing personal experiences at one of our chapter meetings, and/or by volunteering to support the chapter's projects.

Please PRINT legibly:

Last Name _____ First Name _____

DOB: _____ Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Personal email address: _____

High School/College You Attend Currently _____

City: _____ State: _____

Class Rank or GPA: _____

SAT or ACT Score: _____

College You Plan to Attend: _____ **State:** _____

Have You Been Accepted at this college? Yes ___ No ___ Waiting ___

Share information about activities you participate in outside of school classes: employment, volunteer work, extra-curricular activities, etc. (attach resume or separate page if needed):

What is your area of interest for college study? How do you hope to use this in the future?

In what way might you be able to provide volunteer support to HLAA, the organization? (You may include this in your essay):

I consent to allow HLAA to publish my name and photo on the chapter's web page at www.hlaawi.org, and in the chapter's newsletter. The awardee selected will be asked to provide a photo.

I hereby affirm that the information provided by me on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize my name and photo to be used as mentioned above, and I authorize the scholarship committee of HLAA Fox Valley to contact my references if needed for clarification or validation purposes.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Find information about HLAA at: www.hearingloss.org and www.hlaawi.org

Your application must also include the following:

1. **A copy of a recent audiogram**, with air & bone conduction, speech data, etc. dated within the last calendar year, signed by your provider.
2. **Consent to publish your name and photo** on the HLAAWI website and in the state and chapter newsletters.
3. **Two (2) letters of recommendation from a non-family member**, (teacher, professor, coach, community leader, audiologist, employer, etc.) Letters should include the following:
 - A. Why this student is recommended for this scholarship award.
 - B. How long they have known the applicant.
 - C. A brief description of the applicant's involvement in school and/or in the community.
 - D. How this student has overcome typical issues created by hearing challenges.
4. **An essay of between 500 and 1500 words written by the applicant** that helps us learn more about you, your hearing loss challenges and how you have overcome them. How does your hearing loss create barriers and/or opportunities? Tell us what technology you use and how it helps you in different situations. Also tell us what you hope to achieve through post-secondary education. **THIS ESSAY MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM.**
5. Print and scan this document in pdf format, and email along with other required materials to us at: hlaafoxvalley@gmail.com or mail to HLAA Fox Valley Chapter, P.O. Box 25, Menasha WI 54952. **All required documentation must be received or postmarked by March 31, 2024.**