

Fort Myer Thrift Shop College Student Scholarship Application and Agreement School Year 2025-2026

The completed application (and other required information) must be postmarked no later than **Thursday, April 17, 2025**. Awarded recipients will have their scholarships mailed to the institution they will attend no later than **June 27, 2025**.

Applicant

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Applicant's Sponsor

Name _____

Address if DIFFERENT from Applicant:

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Sponsor is Active duty Army Retired Army Deceased Army

If active duty, current duty station _____

Has the applicant ever received a Fort Myer Thrift Shop scholarship? yes no

If yes, category in which scholarship was received:

High school College Spouse Year(s) received _____

The undersigned applicant and sponsor hereby understand and agree to be bound by the following terms if the applicant is awarded a Fort Myer Thrift Shop Scholarship for the 2025-2026 school year:

The applicant becomes ineligible to accept the Fort Myer Thrift Shop Scholarship if any of the following occur:

- The applicant accepts a service academy appointment.
- The applicant accepts any other full scholarship including a full ROTC Scholarship.
- The applicant fails to matriculate at a post-secondary school, college, or university in the fall of 2025.
- The applicant uses the GI BILL program to pay the cost of the 2025-2026 school year.

Scholarship funds awarded by the Fort Myer Thrift Shop will be paid to the institution the applicant will attend, and not directly to the applicant. Funds will be mailed no later than June 27, 2025.

Scholarship funds are restricted to the payment of tuition, fees, and other required educational expenses and must be used by January 31, 2026.

The applicant agrees to notify the Fort Myer Thrift Shop Scholarship Committee by e-mail of acceptance of a full scholarship or of the failure to matriculate within 30 days of the start of the 2025 Fall semester. If the scholarship check has already been mailed to the institution, the applicant will make arrangements to reimburse the Fort Myer Thrift Shop. The applicant will repay the scholarship funds in full to the Fort Myer Thrift Shop within 30 days of notification to the Fort Myer Thrift Shop.

The applicant and sponsor hereby grant the Fort Myer Thrift Shop, permission to use the applicant's name and image for the purpose of publicizing the scholarship in media outlets, including print, newspapers, magazines, radio, television and online social media.

I affirm that the information I have submitted on this application and agreement is correct and agree to follow the terms of this agreement.

Applicant signature _____ Date _____

Sponsor's signature _____ Date _____

Fort Myer Thrift Shop College Student Scholarship Instructions School Year 2025-2026

All materials must be submitted in one envelope, which may be delivered by hand or through the mail to the Fort Myer Thrift Shop postmarked **NO LATER THAN Thursday, April 17, 2025**.

Applications postmarked after this date will not be accepted.

Scholarships are awarded, based on merit, in the following categories: high school senior, college (student), and spouse. Applicants can be awarded only one scholarship in each category. Applicants may receive a scholarship as a high school senior and later receive another scholarship as a college student or as a spouse. Applicants who are awarded a scholarship as a college student or spouse can reapply for a scholarship in that category. Unsuccessful college student or spouse applicants may reapply for a scholarship in that category if they continue to meet the eligibility requirements for the scholarship.

Applications that do not meet the eligibility requirements or that are incomplete will not be considered for a scholarship award.

Eligibility requirements for College Student Applicant

- Children (up to age 22) of active duty, retired or deceased U.S. Army all ranks personnel, who are currently college students.
- Applicant must be planning to attend a post-secondary institution in a degree program as a full-time student for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average.
- Applicant must have a current military ID card.
- Scholarship award will be revoked if the applicant does not attend college or receives a full scholarship elsewhere.

Residency requirements

Both the applicant and the sponsor must reside in or be deployed from one of the following cities or counties in the Greater Washington Area:

- District of Columbia
- In Maryland, the counties of Calvert, Charles, Frederick, Montgomery or Prince George
- In Virginia, the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Stafford or Prince William or the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas or Manassas Park

Application requirements – forms to include in this order in the packet

- Fort Myer Thrift Shop College Student Scholarship Application and Agreement form.** Complete, print and sign the form. Both the applicant and sponsor must sign the form. If the sponsor is deceased or deployed on an unaccompanied assignment, the applicant's other parent or guardian must sign the form in place of the sponsor. Printed names will not be accepted.
- Applicant's military dependent ID card.** A readable photocopy (front and back) of the applicant's military dependent ID card. Applicants should check the expiration date as expired ID cards will not be accepted.
- Official transcript.** Include an official transcript from the college attended by the applicant. Official transcripts must be in a sealed envelope and signed by a school official. If the institution requires that the transcript be sent directly to the Fort Myer Thrift Shop, the transcript should be mailed to the address listed below. **All transcripts must be postmarked no later than April 17, 2025, or the application will be considered incomplete.**
- Awards and activities one-page summary.** A list of honors, awards, and activities to highlight the applicant's academic achievement, community involvement and leadership potential. This information may include academic or non-academic awards or recognitions; membership in organizations and positions held in such organizations; participation in service or community projects and internship or employment experience during the applicant's college years.
- Essay.** An essay of no more than two (2) double-spaced pages in response to **ONE** of the following questions:
 1. How has your experience as a military family member influenced your decision to pursue a college education?
 2. How have you contributed to your community?
 3. What experience (good or bad) has had an impact on you?
- Letter of recommendation.** One (1) letter of recommendation from a school official, counselor, teacher, present or former employer, or community leader. The letter of recommendation must be in a sealed envelope and must include an address and telephone number at which the person writing the letter can be reached. The writer should identify the applicant by name once in the introduction of the letter and then use "he" or "she" throughout the remainder of the letter. No additional letters of recommendation will be considered.

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Fort Myer Thrift Shop
Attn: Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1112
Fort Myer, VA 22211

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Any questions may be sent to the Scholarship Committee at FMTS224@gmail.com or you may call the Fort Myer Thrift Shop at 703-527-0664 during normal business hours, Tuesday-Thursday 10am-2:30pm. Please check website for more information on holiday schedules.