



Southern Alumni Scholarship Requirements

The Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation will award scholarships to qualifying graduating seniors from the Southern High School Class of 2026. The intent of these scholarships is to acknowledge and reward these students along with the teachers and coaches who selflessly gave their time, energy, and support to ensure the success of these students.

The qualifications for this scholarship are as follows:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Engineering applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.5. **Sealed** transcripts must be provided.
- Applicant must be a graduating senior at Southern High School and meet the Anne Arundel County criteria for school residency.
- Must be one of the following:
 - Member in good standing of a varsity team(s) at Southern High School. In addition to players, team participants such as team managers and team statisticians are also eligible
 - or -
 - Member in good standing of a school sponsored club or extracurricular activity at Southern High School.
- Applicant must have demonstrated a strong work ethic and high personal character.
- Applicant must submit a completed written application and statement of his/her particular qualifications for this award.
- Applicant must have at least one letter of recommendation, which must be from a SHS source such as a teacher, guidance counselor, coach, or a club/extracurricular activity sponsor (cannot be related to the applicant). Letters of recommendation that have previously been submitted for other scholarships or for college applications will be accepted.

The scholarship funds may only be used for tuition, fees, and books at institutions of higher education (*accredited two- or four-year public or private colleges, universities, or professional/technical schools*). **Monies will be paid directly to the institution and must be paid to an institution.**

In the event the recipient does not use the funds at the selected college or university, the funds are to be returned to the Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation. If awarded, the student must provide SASF with the necessary information of the college or trade school. Please complete this between June 15, 2026, and September 30, 2026. Once we have the information, checks will be mailed directly to the college or trade school. No money will be given directly to the student, the student's family or any institution that is not approved of. This scholarship cannot be transferred to another student. Scholarships must be claimed, and secondary school information must be received before October 1, 2026.

Deadline for Applications is March 6, 2026



Southern Alumni Scholarship Application

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Student Cell _____

Student Email (NOT AACPS) _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Parents/Guardians _____

Please circle which scholarship category(s) for which you are applying:

(YOU CAN APPLY FOR MORE THAN ONE)

ACADEMIC	COMPUTER SCIENCE/CYBER SECURITY	LEADERSHIP
ADVERSITY	CULINARY/ HOSPITALITY	MEDICAL/NURSING
AGRICULTURE/FFA	EDUCATION/TEACHING	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS
AVID	ENGINEERING*	TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL
BUSINESS/CUSTOMER SERVICE	FINE ARTS- MUSIC, DANCE, ART	SOUTHERN HIGH ATHLETICS

**Engineering applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.5.*

- I am seeking admission to one of the following institutions of higher education:

- I have been awarded and accepted the following athletic and merit-based scholarships.

Please provide the following information on a separate sheet in the format listed below:

Typed, Arial or Times New Roman Font, Size 12 – Do not staple the packet together. Use paperclips and/or envelopes.

- ♦ Provide a resume or equivalent to include:
 - Extracurricular activities: List all high school activities in which you have participated during the past four years, including name of activity, positions held, and grades participated.
 - Volunteer activities: List all volunteer activities in which you have participated, including name of activity, positions held, and grades participated. Include any life experiences here as well.
 - Work experience: List of any paid work experience you have had during the past four years, including employer, position, dates of employment and hours worked per week.
- ♦ Written statement (up to 500 words) that tells why you think you should receive this scholarship – indicate your personal goals in life, work ethic, a significant experience or risk that you have taken, and anything else that you think is important for the Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation to know about you, including financial need.

VERIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION ON VARSITY TEAM

(To Be Completed by Coach- Head or Assistant)

I certify that the applicant listed on this form has been a student athlete in good standing of:

Sport 1: Boys' varsity _____ team. | Girls' varsity _____ team.

Grades: 9th 10th 11th 12th

Signature of Coach

Date

Sport 2 (if applicable): Boys' varsity _____ team. | Girls' varsity _____ team.

Grades: 9th 10th 11th 12th

Signature of Coach

Date

Sport 3 (if applicable): Boys' varsity _____ team. | Girls' varsity _____ team.

Grades: 9th 10th 11th 12th

Signature of Coach

Date

VERIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHOOL CLUB / EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

(To Be Completed By Sponsor)

I certify that the applicant listed on this form has been a member in good standing of the _____ club / activity.

Signature of Sponsor

Date

To be completed by applicant

I certify that all information contained in this application and its attachments is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

Signature of Student applicant

Date

To be completed by applicant's parent/guardian

I expect him/her to graduate from Southern High School in June, 2026. I understand this scholarship cannot be transferred to another student and that all monies will be sent directly to the institution.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date



Southern Alumni Scholarship Checklist

Please provide the following information to complete your application:

- Completed and signed application form (page 2 and 3 of this packet).
- A sealed copy of your transcripts.
- A copy of your resume or equivalent
- Written statement (up to 500 words) that tells why you think you should receive this scholarship – indicate your personal goals in life, work ethic, a significant experience or risk that you have taken, and anything else that you think is important for the Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation to know about you, including financial need.
- One letter of recommendation, which must be from a SHS source such as a teacher, guidance counselor, coach, or a club/extracurricular activity sponsor (cannot be related to the applicant). Letters of recommendation that have previously been submitted to other scholarships or for college applications will be accepted.

Please note that finalists will be notified in April and asked to participate in an in-person interview with our Scholarship Advisory Committee on March 25, 2026. **Finalists must be interviewed to continue to be considered for a scholarship or award.** Athletic Awardees will be notified at the Southern High Sports Banquet on Monday, April 27, 2026, and Academic Awardees will be notified at the Southern High Class of 2026 Academic Awards Banquet in May, 2026.

Please Return Completed Applications by March 6, 2026:

NOTE: Do not staple the documents together.

Drop off to: SHS Guidance Department or Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation mailbox in the SHS Office. Must be received by March 6, 2026. No late submissions will be accepted.

**If you have any questions, please email Southern Alumni Scholarship Foundation:
scholarships@southernalumnischolarship.org**