



SNPJ Scholarship Application



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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Please read the following requirements carefully.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for an SNPJ Scholarship, the student must meet the following requirements:

- ◆ Be an SNPJ member for at least two years.
- ◆ Have a \$5,000 minimum permanent life insurance policy in place (\$2,000 if purchased prior to January 1996).
- ◆ Enroll as a full-time (at least 12 credit hours) or part-time (at least 6 credit hours) student at an accredited college, university or trade school.

SCHOLARSHIP TYPES

REGULAR

Maintain at least 2.5 GPA (out of 4.0)
1040 Tax Forms (\$20,000 per dependent per family allowed)
Participate in one SNPJ approved activity annually (see list below)

ACADEMIC

Maintain at least 3.2 GPA (out of 4.0) or make Dean's List
Age 30 or under
Participate in one SNPJ approved activity annually (see list below)

SNPJ ACTIVITY

Maintain minimum of 2.5 GPA (out of 4.0)
Age 30 or under

Perform extensive SNPJ Activity, which includes avid participation in the following activities:

- ◆ Social and athletic events
- ◆ Meetings and conferences (attendance or service)
- ◆ Youth Roundup or Teens Experience Leadership (TEL) (attendance or service)
- ◆ *The Voice of Youth* or *Prosveta* (article contribution)
- ◆ Youth Circle or other cultural activities
- ◆ Lodge or Federation (provide service, hold office, or serve on committee)
- ◆ Young Adult Conference

Additional requirements include:

- ◆ Membership longevity and dedication to SNPJ

Letter from the Lodge Secretary detailing the student's activity

The final decision on acceptance into the Activity Scholarship program will be at the discretion of the Society's Scholarship Committee.

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the general eligibility requirements, all applicants accepted into the scholarship program MUST comply with the following additional requirements in order to receive an award.

1. **Complete at least one of the following approved SNPJ activities annually:**
 - ◆ Attend Lodge meetings
 - ◆ Attend or volunteer at special Lodge events
 - ◆ Write an article to be published in *The Voice of Youth* or *Prosveta*
 - ◆ Enter the Miss SNPJ pageant (eligible females only)
 - ◆ Participate in an SNPJ athletic tournament (bowling, golf, balina, softball, etc.)
 - ◆ Help organize a youth activity at your Lodge
 - ◆ Hold an office in your Lodge
 - ◆ Work as a counselor for Youth Roundup (must be interviewed and selected by Fraternal Department)
 - ◆ Attend Young Adult Conference
 - ◆ Volunteer to work during Slovenefest at the SNPJ Recreation Center
 - ◆ Participate in or volunteer at an SNPJ organized activity
 - ◆ Perform community service on behalf of SNPJ (must be approved by Fraternal Department)
 - ◆ Recommend a new member to SNPJ

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

Initial Application is due by August 1.

- ♦ Students can receive up to 8 payments, assuming all requirements continue to be met.
- ♦ Full-time students (12+ credit hours completed) receive \$400 following the end of each fall and spring semester for a total of \$800 per academic year.
- ♦ Part-time students (6 – 11 credit hours completed) receive \$200 following the end of each fall and spring semester for a total of \$400 per academic year.
- ♦ **Scholarship renewal forms** are due each year on **February 1** (for fall semester) and **August 1** (for spring semester). Blank renewal forms are sent with each payment and should be retained for the next semester.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Carefully review all of the scholarship requirements listed on Page 2.
2. Select the **scholarship type** listed on Page 2 for which you qualify.
3. Complete the application on Page 4 and deliver to your **Lodge Secretary for signatures**.
4. Return the signed application along with following items to the SNPJ Home Office by the **August 1st deadline**:

_____ **Copy of your last grade report or transcript** (Transcripts do not have to be originals, but must show student name, semester, GPA, and number of credit hours completed).

_____ **Short essay** about fraternalism, the principles of SNPJ and how they work in our Society and its lodges.

_____ **Brief history** of your life, high school accomplishments, past awards and achievements, and college plans.

_____ **Copies of your parents' and your 1040 tax forms for the previous year** (if applying for the Regular Scholarship).

_____ **Copy of the Lodge Secretary's letter** (if applying for the Activity Scholarship).

Please make sure all of the applicable items listed above are included when mailing your application. Failure to provide all required information at one time may result in denial of your application.

Mail to:

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

| | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Legal Name: Last | | First | | Middle | | E-mail Address | |
| Street Address | | | City | | State | | Zip |
| Lodge Number: | | Marital Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married | | Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female | | Social Security Number: | |
| Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YY) | | Telephone Number: () - | | Place of Birth: (City/State) | | | |
| Policy Number(s): 1) 2) | | Amount of Insurance: \$ \$ | | Type of Scholarship Applying for: ACADEMIC___ REGULAR___ ACTIVITY___ | | | |
| Name of High School: (Graduated) | | | City | | State | | Date Graduated: |
| Have you attended any college or university? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | | If yes, name of school and location: | | | | |

FAMILY INFORMATION

| Relative | Name | Lodge # | Policy# | Insurance Amount | Employed by: |
|---|-----------------------|---------|---------|------------------|--------------|
| Mother | (include maiden name) | | | | |
| Father | | | | | |
| Brother(s) | Age: | | | | |
| | Age: | | | | |
| Sister(s) | Age: | | | | |
| | Age: | | | | |
| Number of family members enrolled in college: | | | | | |

EDUCATION PLANS

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|---|--|------|--|-------|---------------------------|-----|
| Name of School Attending or Planning to Attend: | | | | | Major: | |
| School Address: Street | | City | | State | | Zip |
| | | | | | FULL-TIME___ PART-TIME___ | |

The scholarship is renewable annually if requirements continue to be met. To be considered eligible, applicants must provide proof of grades, SNPJ activity, and financial need (if applicable).

It is understood that the recipient of the scholarship agrees, at all times, to aid our SNPJ and fellow members. **It is also understood that if the recipient leaves the Society prior to five years after receiving the final scholarship award, the collateral assignment of his/her policy shall be operative, and that the applicant agrees to assign his/her certificate value to the SNPJ Scholarship Fund.**

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

LODGE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Does the applicant meet the basic membership requirement? Yes No
(Member for at least two years and at least \$5,000 of permanent life insurance)

Is the applicant:

- ◆ Well known to the officers and members of lodge? Yes No
- ◆ Of good moral character and habits? Yes No
- ◆ "Needy" and "Worthy" of scholarship consideration? Yes No

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Lodge President Signature/Date

Lodge Secretary Signature/Date