



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2018-2019

Please see guidelines first and print or type clearly. Must be returned on or before December 31, 2016 (**VERY IMPORTANT!**)

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email _____

Age: _____ Sex: _____ Birth Date: _____ Soc Sec # _____

Applicants under 18 years of age must apply for a 4 year membership when they reach their 18th birthday.

Sponsor's Name _____ Relationship _____

(Note: Sponsor must be a current Showmen's League of America member)

Are you a dependent of a member, related to a member or otherwise connected to the Showmen's League of America? Please explain: _____

Field of Studies or Major in College: _____

Degree desired: _____ Post Graduate Studies planned _____

Name and address of Secondary School attended _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Before mailing complete the checklist!

Required for NEW applicants (Due no later than December 31st)

_____ Completed Application

_____ Counselor Reference Form, mailed direct from school to Showmen's League office .

_____ Completed Essay per guidelines.

_____ Current Picture of Applicant; color, resume-style preferred, but professional photo not required.

_____ Transcripts: New applicants attach to application

Required for RENEWAL applications: (Due no later than December 31st)

_____ Completed Application

_____ Completed Essay per guidelines.

_____ Transcripts: (must ensure transcripts are sent directly from the school to the Showmen's League office each semester, within 30 days of grade posting by school.)



SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Applications will be accepted from all students, with emphasis on those graduating high school. Post-graduate applications are accepted, but are only considered if funds are available.

New applicants (graduating High School Seniors):

1. Complete the application form, paying special attention to the deadlines. Application must be emailed, faxed or postmarked by December 31, 2017
2. You must be a full-time student in good standing at your school and **MUST MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF 2.75 GPA or equivalent.**
3. You may provide an unofficial transcript with your application, but must provide an official transcript, sent from the school to us, which must arrive by January 31, 2018. A transcript from each semester must be sent directly to us from the school within 30 days of the school posting the grades.
4. A reference from your guidance counselor, or our form (available online), mailed to the Showmen's League office directly from the school, is required.
5. You must be sponsored by a current member of the Showmen's League and you will be expected to join the League after you reach the age of 18 for at least 4 years. **Membership is a requirement for renewal.**
6. An applicant **MUST** submit a 1 or 2 page typed essay or autobiography containing a short personal history which includes your involvement in the industry, if any, and how your education and future degree will contribute to the industry or the League.
7. Please include a resume-style color picture, which we may use in our publications, emails, or on our website.

Renewal Applicants:

1. Applications (same form as new applicants) must be emailed, faxed or postmarked by December 31, 2017
2. You must provide an official transcript, sent from the school to us, which must arrive by January 31, 2018. Unofficial transcripts are not accepted.
3. You must be a full-time student in good standing at your school and **MUST MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF 2.75 GPA or equivalent.**
4. A transcript from each semester must be sent directly to us from the school within 30 days of the school posting the grades. In other words, we expect to get a transcript for every semester within 30 days of their posting.
5. Each renewal must include an updated autobiography including current school activities, awards, extracurricular and community activities and your college major with your career goals. We reserve the right to publish these with your photo.

All Applicants

Missing deadlines or failure to provide required information may cause your application to be rejected and/or may result in the loss of scholarship for future years. The scholarship offered by The Showmen's League of America is paid directly to the college or university, not to the student. The scholarship may be used for the tuition, books, supplies and/or lab fees of the student and shall be distributed to the student in accordance with school policy. In the event that any funds are unused, these amounts must be returned to The Showmen's League of America.

The scholarships are based on superior academic skills with consideration given to test scores, scholastic performance and high school recommendations. Student's extracurricular activities and involvement in the industry will also be considered. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of the student's own merit, academic accomplishments, character and commitment. Financial need and family situations are not factors in these awards.

Scholarship and membership applications may be obtained from the office of The Showmen's League of America, 1023 W. Fulton Market, Chicago, IL 60607 at any time and **MUST BE SUBMITTED** to this office by mail, fax, or email no later than December 31st, 2017. You may also download the form from our website www.showmensleague.org

The Showmen's League Scholarship Committee will review all applications and will award the scholarships. The committee may interview applicants and recipients at any time. The decision of the committee is final and the rules, regulations and requirements are subject to change without notice.



HIGH SCHOOL REFERENCE FORM

To the High School Guidance Counselor:

Please fill out this form completely. Your comments will be considered when making a scholarship decision.

Please submit:

1. Completed High School Counselor Reference Form;
2. Official High School transcript with SAT-I/ACT scores;

Please mail them directly from the school to: The Showmen's League of America, 1023 W. Fulton Market, Chicago, IL 60607

Student Name : _____ Social Security Number _____

Is the student a National Merit semifinalist? ____Yes ____No National Achievement semifinalist? ____Yes ____No
National Hispanic Scholar ____Yes ____No

SAT-I/ACT SCORE & GPA RECORD

The attached transcript includes: _____SAT-I and/or _____ACT scores OR _____ We have no SAT-I/ACT scores on file

Student's GPA _____ on a scale of _____ through (semester ending) _____

Student's rank in class is _____ out of _____

Please rate the applicant on the following areas:

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	No Basis
Academic Potential for College	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Motivation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Time Management	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maturity	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Written Expression	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Oral Expression	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership Qualities	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Comments (optional, please attach)	_____				

_____ Please check here if you would like to receive a call from the Scholarship Committee Chair to discuss this student.

Counselor's Printed Name _____ Please circle: Dr. Mr. Ms. Mrs.

Counselor Telephone Number () _____

School Name and Address _____

Counselor's Signature _____ Date: _____

E-mail address _____



For Internal Use:

From the By-Laws

(j) Scholarship Committee: The Scholarship Committee shall consist of at least seven and no more than eleven members of the organization who will meet to review and award scholarships to the applicants who have applied for a Scholarship. This committee shall have sole discretion to set policies and standards for the awarding of scholarships and to insure those guidelines are fairly and consistently adhered to. The committee will have authority to authorize reasonable levels of scholarship awards annually, taking into account funds raised, interest and appreciation earned and the long-term best interests of the League.