

**The Ivy Foundation  
Scholarship Application**

This application includes scholarship descriptions and guidelines.

To apply, visit www.dcivyfoundation.org and click on the scholarship application link, or submit the attached forms to ivyscholarshipsdc@gmail.com.



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The Ivy Foundation

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**THE IVY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS**

The Ivy Foundation is currently accepting applications for the following scholarships:

**Citywide Scholarship**

**Legacy Scholarship**

**Wilma G. Shepherd Memorial Scholarship**

**Hollie C. Chapmon Scholarship**

**Name of Scholarship: Citywide Scholarship**

**Focus:** Preparation for college and work life

**Eligibility:** Graduating senior from a D.C. public or charter high school or agraduating senior whom the District of Columbia Public Schools funds to attend a non-public school. Applicant must complete all graduation requirements and, upon graduation, receive a diploma from D.C. Public Schools (excluding Banneker Benjamin Banneker Academic High School and Cardozo Senior High School) by the conclusion of the academic year.

**Required Grade Point Average:** Minimum 3.0-grade point average on a 4.0 scale

**Essay:** Describe your most meaningful extracurricular, academic, or work-relatedachievements and how they have influenced your anticipated field of study in college and/or your career goals.

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**Name of Scholarship: Legacy Scholarship**

**Focus:** Service to All Mankind

**Eligibility:** Graduating senior from a D.C. public or charter high school or agraduating senior whom the District of Columbia Public Schools funds to attend a non-public school. Applicant must complete all graduation requirements and, upon graduation, receive a diploma from the D.C. Public Schools (excluding Banneker Benjamin Banneker Academic High School and Cardozo Senior High School) by the conclusion of the academic year. For this scholarship, the applicant must document having completed a minimum of 150 hours of community service performed between the applicant’s first day of seventh grade and (at a minimum) March 31, 2024.

**Required Grade Point Average:** Minimum 3.0-grade point average on a 4.0 scale

**Essay:** Describe your community service activities/experiences, why they are/weremeaningful to you, and how they have had a positive influence in your local community and beyond. Include specific examples of service projects on which you have worked and your role in each such project.

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**Name of Scholarship: Wilma G. Shepherd Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligibility:** Graduating senior from Cardozo Senior High School

**Required Grade Point Average:** Minimum 3.0-grade point average on a 4.0 scale

**Essay:** Wilma G. Shepherd was a charter member of Xi Zeta Omega Chapter ofAlpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, an active member and ardent supporter of The Ivy Foundation, and an educator dedicated to inspiring D.C. students to soar to new heights. She was known for her dedication to scholarship, commitment to servant leadership, mastery of the art of effective communication, and compassion toward others. Making use of specific examples, describe how these qualities are reflected in your life through participation in academic endeavors, extracurricular activities, and community service.

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**Name of Scholarship: Hollie C. Chapmon Scholarship**

**Focus:** Scholarship and Service

**Eligibility:** Graduating senior from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School

**Required Grade Point Average:** Minimum 3.5-grade point average

**Essay**: Describe the academic goals that you have established for yourself. Givespecific examples that illustrate the personal characteristics that have allowed you to achieve and/or exceed your academic goals while juggling the demands of a rigorous college preparatory program.

**THE IVY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

Applicants must submit the following information along with their completed scholarship applications, as appropriate for the requirements of each scholarship:

* The essay should not exceed two pages and must be typed, double-spaced, 12-point font size, one-inch margins on all sides (each essay must address the focus of the scholarship for which the applicant has applied)

o ***Note: If the applicant is applying for more than one scholarship,*** ***they must submit a separate, duplicate application and a separate essay for each scholarship for which they have applied. The application requirements and documents are the same except for essay requirements***

* Parents/guardians’ most recent W-2, income tax form, or other income verification recognized by the IRS and Student Aid Report (SAR); and/or the Free Application for Student Federal Aid (FAFSA)
  + **DO NOT submit** **documents with visible social security number(s). Please obscure / mark through ALL social security numbers on ALL documents**
* Student resume (1-2 pages) that outlines leadership roles, extracurricular activities, work experience, awards, and career goals
* Official high school transcript in a sealed envelope
* Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, school counselor, or school administrator addressing the applicant’s academic achievement, character, and potential for success in college and beyond. Letters must be on school letterhead, signed and dated, and include the recommender’s contact information (i.e., email address and/or phone number)
* Letter verifying applicant’s participation in community service organization(s) with generalized dates of participation in volunteer activities, activities performed by the student, and signed by a representative of the organization with which the applicant volunteered. Letters must be on letterhead, signed and dated, and include the representative’s contact information (i.e., email address and phone number)
* If the applicant is not a U.S. citizen, proof of their legal permanent resident or another lawful status.

**SCHOLARSHIP JUDGING**

Only **COMPLETE** applications with a completed application form and **ALL** supporting documentation will be judged.

Applications must be submitted electronically by **11:59 pm on May 3, 2024.** The only piece of the application that can be mailed to The Ivy Foundation is the official transcript, if necessary. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

**FUNDS DISBURSEMENT/AWARD ACCEPTANCE DOCUMENTS**

For funds to be disbursed, scholarship recipients **must submit**:

* Proof of enrollment in a four-year, accredited college/university by July 1 of the year in which the applicant graduates from high school, and
* The address and phone number of the college or university registrar; and
* The address and phone number of the college or university office that is to receive the scholarship award.

Scholarship checks are made payable to the recipient’s college or university and mailed directly to the school. Scholarship checks are not mailed until The Ivy Foundation receives all award acceptance documents. Failure to submit award acceptance documents promptly may result in forfeiture of scholarship monies. Scholarships awarded by The Ivy Foundation must be used for educational expenses, including tuition, books, and course-related fees for undergraduate degree programs at an accredited, four-year college or university.



**2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Before completing this application, please read all instructions in the scholarship guidelines in this package (also available at www.dcivyfoundation.org). The application and all attachments become the property of The Ivy Foundation, and the Ivy Foundation will not assume responsibility for, or attempt to assemble, materials submitted separately. **Except for the signature field, all fields must be typed on the writable form and completed.**

Please indicate below which scholarship you are seeking:

* **Citywide Scholarship**
* **Legacy Scholarship**
* **Wilma G. Shepherd Memorial Scholarship**
* **Hollie C. Chapmon Scholarship**

Applicant’s Full Name:

Applicant Home Address:

Applicant Telephone:

Applicant Email Address:

Name of Parent/Guardian:

Parent/Guardian Cellular Telephone:

Parent/Guardian Email Address:

Annual Family Income (USD): $

Number of Individuals in Household: Adults Children

Applicant’s High School:

Most Recent Cumulative Grade Point Average:

Grade Point Average (from most recent grading period):

Name of Applicant’s Guidance Counselor:

College/University Attending (if known):

College/University Address:

Intended Area of Study:

Name, Amount & Source of Other Scholarships Received:

**My signature certifies that all information contained herein is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. By signing, I acknowledge that all documents become the property of The Ivy Foundation. Submitting false or inaccurate information/claims are subject to forfeiture of any scholarship monies awarded. I acknowledge all award monies will be used for educational expenses, including tuition, books, and course-related fees at an accredited, four-year college or university. All unused monies will be returned to The Ivy Foundation and cannot be held by the recipient for future academic study.**

**Student Signature:**

**Parent Signature**

**Submission date:**

**SUBMIT TO (electronic submissions preferred, excepting transcripts)**

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**Scholarship applications and all supporting materials submitted as attachments submitted electronically must be received by 11:59pm ET on**

**May 3, 2024**