

Arkansas Sheriffs Wives Association Instructions for Scholarship Application 2025

Qualifications for those seeking scholarship:

1. Planning to attend college, graduate school, technical school or other qualifying education institution in Arkansas Fall Semester 2025
 2. Proof of academic merit via attached transcript (applications without transcript will be disqualified)
 3. High school graduate or equivalent (attached proof is required)
 4. **Must be the dependent child, step-child, or adopted child of a current Arkansas Sheriff or sworn CERTIFIED full-time deputy serving in the state of Arkansas.**
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Instructions for completing a FIRST TIME application:

1. **ALL** parts of the application **MUST** be completed and submitted in an adequate time frame to allow receipt by the deadline (April 15th). ***Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.*** Please do NOT spend the extra money on priority mail unless the deadline is fast approaching. Do not send via certified mail. The Scholarship Committee will not make trips to the post office to pick up any applications sent via certified mail.
2. Please type or print **LEGIBLY** in ink. Illegible information could cause your application to be declined.
3. Include the following to complete the application:
 - A. **Two** character-reference letters. One **MUST** be from a county employee other than a relative (such as a deputy, judge, or sheriff that can attest that you are deserving of this award and will use it responsibly). The second character reference can be from your academic counselor, teacher, principal, coach, etc).
 - B. An essay including family history and educational background, financial need, and other pertinent information about yourself including your desired course of study (**one page or less**).
4. Mail complete application with required attachments to:

Tonya Boyd
5312 Wilkinson Rd
Jonesboro, AR 72404

***EMAIL APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

Directions continued on next page...

5. Completed application **MUST BE RECEIVED BY April 15**. Late applications will **NOT** be considered. Scholarships will be announced in May and checks awarded in May, June, or July pending receipt of proof of enrollment. Emailed proof of enrollment will NOT be accepted, it must be mailed.
6. Please note that proof of enrollment will be required prior to your award distribution. **Proof of enrollment deadline is by July 31st**. If your proof of enrollment has not been received by then, no award money will be sent.

What this means: Your award will be announced via email in May, and your actual award check will be mailed when proof of enrollment for the Fall '25 Semester is received. This can be in the form of a schedule of Fall '25 classes from your college, trade school or university.

NOTE: Check for your award notification in your spam email if you have not received it via regular email by the end of May.

Proof of Enrollment

Mail as soon as available (or along with application if possible) to:

Tonya Boyd
5312 Wilkinson Rd
Jonesboro, AR 72404

NOTE: It is your responsibility to send me your proof of enrollment by July 31st once you have attended orientation and/or get your class schedule. If you fail to send your proof of enrollment by the deadline, your award will NOT be mailed.

***Please do NOT contact your sheriff, sheriff's wife, or ASA to inquire about your award. As stated previously, your award will NOT be mailed until your proof of enrollment for Fall '25 is received. This award is intended to be applied toward the Fall '25 semester, therefore it may be the end of July or the first of August before all awards are issued.**

***IF you receive notification in May that you will be receiving an award, AND you have sent in proof of enrollment for Fall '25, but you have not received your award by AUGUST- please notify Tonya Boyd via email.**

Please see the next page for repeat application instructions.

Instructions for those completing REPEAT application:

1. ALL parts of the application form **MUST** be completed and submitted by the deadline. **No** essay or letters of recommendation are required for repeat applicants. *Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.*
2. Please type or print **LEGIBLY** in ink. Illegible information could cause your application to be declined.
3. Attach the following to complete the application:
Proof of enrollment for Fall '25 Semester-this can be in the form of a schedule of Fall '25 classes from your college, trade school or university.
4. Mail complete application with attachments to:

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5312 Wilkinson Rd
Jonesboro, AR 72404

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7. Completed application **MUST BE RECEIVED BY April 15**. Late applications will not be considered. Please do not spend the extra money on priority mail unless the deadline is fast approaching. **Do not send via certified mail. The Scholarship Committee will not make trips to the post office to pick up any applications sent via certified mail.**

***Please do NOT contact your sheriff, sheriff's wife, or ASA to inquire about your award. As stated previously, your award will NOT be mailed until your proof of enrollment for Fall '25 is received. This award is intended to be applied toward the Fall '25 Semester, therefore it may be the end of July before all awards are issued.**

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**Arkansas Sheriffs Wives Association
Scholarship Application 2025**

Applicant's Name _____ Male _____
Female _____

Permanent Address _____
(This is the address where award will be mailed)

City, State, Zip _____

County in Arkansas _____

Telephone (including area code) _____

E-mail address _____
(This should be an email that is checked on a regular basis)

Age _____ Marital Status _____ Number of Dependents _____

Currently employed? ____ List employer(s):

Name of your parent or step-parent who is currently an Arkansas Sheriff or sworn **CERTIFIED** full- time deputy working under an Arkansas Sheriff. Please note his/her title and the county in Arkansas where they work, as well as the sheriff for whom they work. For example, this is how your sentence should be written: My parent (or step-parent) is _____, Sheriff (or sworn certified full-time deputy) in _____ County, currently working under Sheriff _____.

Number of siblings living at home _____

Number of siblings currently enrolled in college _____

Have you previously received assistance from the Arkansas Sheriffs' Wives Association Scholarship?

Yes ____ No ____

Year(s) of previous scholarship award(s): _____

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Educational institution (high school, college, trade school) applicant is **currently** attending (for notification purposes):

Name of Institution _____

City, State, Zip _____

Current Academic Classification (check one)

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| ☐ High school senior | ☐ College senior |
| ☐ College freshman | ☐ Graduate student |
| ☐ College sophomore | ☐ Other (specify) _____ |
| ☐ College junior | |

Educational institution applicant is planning to attend Fall Semester 2025:

Name of Institution _____

City, State, Zip _____

Degree sought _____

Expected graduation date _____

Amount of tuition and fees per semester \$ _____

Date Fall 2025 term begins _____

***Incomplete** applications or applications received after **April 15, 2025** will **NOT** be considered.

The Arkansas Sheriffs Wives Association is pleased to offer this scholarship program to dependent children of sheriffs and sworn CERTIFIED full-time deputies. The applicant's signature below affirms that ALL information submitted is accurate and truthful.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Final note: Award notification will be sent in May via email. Please check your spam mail if you have not received notification by the end of May. Do NOT call your sheriff, sheriff's wife, or ASA with questions about your award.

Any questions should be sent via email to Tonya Boyd (tboydaswsf@gmail.com).