



January 2022

Dear Students, Parents, and Pennrose Employees,

All high school seniors and college students living in affordable sites managed by Pennrose are invited to apply for scholarships of at least \$2,000 for the 2022-2023 academic year that will be awarded by the Pennrose Foundation in June 2022.

The Pennrose Foundation was founded in 2018 with a mission *to improve the lives of the disadvantaged people and communities served by Pennrose*. The 2022-2023 academic year will be the Foundation's fourth year of offering scholarships to qualified residents who are pursuing some form of higher education, in college, trade/professional school, or institute. We were able to increase the number and amount of scholarships in 2021 and hope to continue expanding the quantity and value of scholarships awarded.

It is our goal to provide financial support to our residents who are pursuing academic achievement.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be a stylized 'A' or similar character, written over a light blue rectangular background.

President  
Pennrose Foundation

# Scholarship Information

## Eligibility

All high school students who plan to begin and students already enrolled in post-secondary studies at colleges or trade/professional schools are eligible for these grants provided he/she resides on an affordable site that is professionally managed by Pennrose. The applicant/family must be in good standing with the rules and regulations of HUD and Pennrose.

Students who reside at sites managed by Pennrose and plan to or are currently enrolled in college undergraduate programs or trade/professional school and plan to return to post-secondary studies for the 2022-2023 school year are also eligible and may apply for a Pennrose scholarship. A matriculated boarding student may apply provided his/her primary residence is with a parent/guardian residing on an affordable site that is managed by Pennrose (applicant/recipient must be named on all applicable lease documents). Applications for graduate level programs will not be accepted.

## Selection Criteria

The criteria used to select scholarship recipients includes academic performance and character reference. Academic performance is determined by evaluating high school or college grade transcripts released to the Foundation by the student.

All high school students applying must possess a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent. All matriculated college students applying must possess a minimum of a 2.3 grade point average on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.

Character will be evaluated through examination of an essay written by the student and a reference provided by an individual the applicant selects.

## Description of Awards

Each of the awards will be at least a \$2,000 scholarship provided to the selected students. These scholarships should not be mistaken in any way for student loans and do not need to be repaid. While a high school student may apply for consideration for a scholarship prior to being accepted at a college or trade/professional school, he/she must provide documentation in the form of an admissions acceptance letter to the Foundation before the scholarship will be finalized.

## Payment of Scholarships

All scholarships are made payable to the college or other post-secondary institution where the recipient will attend during the 2022-2023 school year. The student must provide the Foundation a copy of an admissions acceptance letter to an accredited school. It is the intent of the Pennrose Foundation that the full amount of these scholarships will be applied toward the recipient's school expenses.

## Application Procedure

There are four parts of this application and all must be received for the Pennrose Foundation to consider an application.

The deadline for completed applications is May 1, 2022. Please email Parts I, II, III, and IV (listed below) to [PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com](mailto:PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com) or mail to Carrie Holak, Pennrose Foundation Scholarship, 1301 North 31<sup>st</sup> St., Philadelphia, PA 19121.

- I. The completed Application Form that contains basic information about the applicant, as well as, the applicant's and parent/guardian statement with signatures.
- II. An official grade transcript that shows the courses you have taken and the grades awarded through the fall semester of the 2021-2022 school year. These transcripts will allow us to evaluate academic performance. College students should request their transcripts no later than March 9, 2022.
- III. Use the attached reference form to secure a reference. This reference should come from a person who has firsthand knowledge of your functioning as a student on a regular basis. The Pennrose Foundation assumes that recommendations from teachers, guidance counselors, professors, principals, deans, and/or other school administrators are better indications of a student's future performance in school than personal recommendations. As a result, this recommendation should come from the aforementioned type of individuals. **References from relatives and personal references will not be accepted.**
- IV. A required 400-word essay that provides insight into your story, your motivations, and the next steps toward your future (see below information about Required Essay). Failure to complete the **REQUIRED** essay portion of the application will **DISQUALIFY** your eligibility to receive a scholarship award.

### REQUIRED ESSAY:

The selection committee would like to gain insight into your story, your motivations and the next steps toward your future.

In an essay of approximately 400 words (typed), please explain specifically:

- What are your education goals?
- What do you hope to do following graduation?
- Why are you qualified to receive a Pennrose Foundation scholarship?

## Notification Procedure

The selection committee will meet during the month of May. All applicants will be notified by June 2022.

## Important Dates and Deadlines

January 2022	Application forms available at all offices of Pennrose and on <a href="http://www.PennroseFoundation.org">www.PennroseFoundation.org</a> .
March 9, 2022	Suggested deadline for college students to request grade transcripts from their registrars to assure that part of the application will be received by the Foundation prior to April 13, 2022.
May 1, 2022	FINAL DEADLINE for all parts of the application for a 2021 Pennrose Foundation Scholarship. Mail the application form, references, essay and grade transcripts to <a href="mailto:PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com">PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com</a> or mail to Carrie Holak, Pennrose Foundation Scholarship, 1301 North 31 <sup>st</sup> St., Philadelphia, PA 19121.
June 1, 2022	All applicants notified of the outcome status of their application.
June 26, 2022	Acceptance forms must be returned by this date if scholarship recipients wish to accept the offer of a scholarship. Scholarships not accepted by this date will be awarded to other applicants.
August 8, 2022	Scholarship checks, made payable to post-secondary institutions, will be mailed via U.S. mail directly to the post-secondary institution on behalf of the scholarship recipient to help pay for the student's 2022-2023 school year costs.

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# 2022 Scholarship Application

Application Deadline is May 1, 2022



## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name, First Name and Middle Initial)

Apartment Complex \_\_\_\_\_

Street or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security (Last 4 #s) \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Head of Household \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name, First Name)

## EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Institution Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of College, University, or Trade School)

Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ FR – Soph – JR – SR – Other in Fall 2022: \_\_\_\_\_ If an incoming Freshman, provide:

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Credits earned as of May 1, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ SAT – Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Minor \_\_\_\_\_ Credits enrolled Fall 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ SAT – Math \_\_\_\_\_

Certification \_\_\_\_\_ Credits required to complete program \_\_\_\_\_ SAT – Writing \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees currently held (excluding high school) \_\_\_\_\_

## REFERENCE LETTER

Using the attached form, please provide a reference from a person who has firsthand knowledge of your functioning as a student on a regular basis. Reference should come from teachers, guidance counselors, principals, deans, and other school administrators. **Personal reference from friends and relatives will not be accepted.**

## APPLICANT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN STATEMENT

We have read the instruction sheet and this application form and wish to apply for a Pennrose Foundation Scholarship. We agree to comply with all procedures outlined in the application information and we release to Pennrose Foundation the applicant's academic records.

## PERMISSION TO RELEASE INFORMATION TO DONORS

The Pennrose Foundation depends on the generosity of donors to fund our scholarship program. If I am awarded a scholarship, I give my permission to share my story, progress, and successes with one of more of our donors.

PERMISSION TO RELEASE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

As parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I hereby release all necessary financial information on file to the Pennrose Foundation for the purpose of determining financial need.

PERMISSION TO PUBLICIZE NAME AND PHOTOGRAPH

If I am awarded a scholarship, I give my permission to use my name and/or photograph in publicity, social media, and media release related to the Pennrose Foundation.

PRIVACY POLICY

I further agree that, if I am selected as a scholarship recipient, any information provided by me to the Foundation in connection with this application may be used by the Foundation in promoting its purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Signature  
(only required if applicant is under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Scholarship Application Personal Character Reference Form



Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Providing Referral: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Person Providing Referral: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number of Person Providing Referral: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of person providing referral on behalf of the applicant (i.e. Teacher, Guidance Counselor, Professor, Employer, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the most appropriate response for the applicant you are referring and attach a narrative on your letterhead stationery (see additional information below). Please consider each item shown below independently from the other listed.

	Poor		Good		Outstanding
Integrity	X	X	X	X	X
Collaboration	X	X	X	X	X
Results Oriented	X	X	X	X	X
Accountability	X	X	X	X	X

Please provide a brief narrative on your letterhead stationery of your thoughts regarding the applicant’s personal character. Please include how you know the applicant, how long you have been acquainted, your perception of the applicant as a student, your belief in the applicant’s ability to successfully pursue a college degree, or other information that may be helpful to the Selection Committee.

I attest that the this reference of \_\_\_\_\_ is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am not a blood relative of this applicant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Return this form and the brief narrative to the applicant for submission prior to April 1, 2022, email to [PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com](mailto:PennroseFoundation@Pennrose.com) or mail to Carrie Holak, Pennrose Foundation Scholarship, 1301 North 31<sup>st</sup> St., Philadelphia, PA 19121.