# Eligibility Requirements

Applicant must be a graduating high school senior and must meet the following criteria:

* Acceptance into a university/four-year college (Consideration will be given to applicants pursuing a vocational education program)
* A minimum weighted 3.00 GPA for a university/four-year acceptance
* A minimum 2.60 GPA for a vocational program acceptance
* Citizenship in the United States or a Resident Alien (Green Card holder)
* Residency in either Escambia County or Santa Rosa County
* **Note:** Students obtaining a standard high school diploma through Florida Virtual School will be considered

# How to Apply

**The Community Scholarship application form is online at** [**www.rosaverdepensacola.org**](http://www.rosaverdepensacola.org)

The application must be mailed to:

**Rosa Verde Foundation, Incorporated,**

**PO Box 12084,**

**Pensacola, FL 32591**

***The application must be postmarked on or before April 12, 2024.***

## Application Requirements

**A*ll application materials must be submitted together (i.e., application, essay, recommendation letter(s), test scores, an official high school transcript, and any additional documentation). The application must be mailed to* Rosa Verde Foundation, Incorporated, PO Box 12084, Pensacola, FL 32591, *and* must be postmarked on or before *April 12, 2024.* Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**High school transcript** and **SAT or ACT Score(s) –** Any combination of the highest available scores will be used in determining the applicant’s score(s). Scores within a two-year period of the test dates are considered valid for eligibility purposes.

**Applicants should select only ONE of the two questions listed below to answer. Each essay will be judged equally, regardless of which question is selected.**

***Essay Option 1:*** *Discuss the pros and cons of the effects of banning social networking sites for teens.*

**~OR~**

***Essay Option 2:*** *Discuss the pros and cons of banning African American studies and/or books.*

**This essay will be the applicant’s formal writing sample and a critical factor in determining eligibility and acceptance as a scholarship candidate.**

**Applicant’s essay must be a minimum of three typed, double-spaced pages in length.**  **In addition, please proofread your essay as content, formatting, spelling, and grammar will be evaluated. Effective essays are well organized and written in a formal writing voice.**

**Letter of Recommendation** – **Must come from a high school assistant principal, dean, teacher, or guidance counselor. If you are a Florida Virtual School student, you may submit a letter of recommendation from a community leader.**

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***A*pplicant’s Information (Current High School Seniors Only)**

**Name: First Middle Last**

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**Please include Area Code (i.e., xxx-xxx-xxxx)**

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**Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cell number of Parent (s) or Guardian (s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**How did you hear about this scholarship? Check all that applies.**

**Sorority Member \_\_\_ Guidance Counselor \_\_\_ Social Media \_\_\_\_\_ or Other \_\_\_\_**

## Educational Information

**Intended or Current College/Vocational Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Applicants must submit an official high school transcript, an essay, and a letter of recommendation.** The letter of recommendation must come from a high school principal, assistant principal, dean, teacher, or guidance counselor. If you are a Florida Virtual School student, you may submit a letter of recommendation from a community leader. Note: College students must submit their high school and first semester college transcript.

## Activities and Achievements

**Please list all extracurricular activities.** **Include the number of years of involvement.**

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**Community Service – list the dates, hours, and a brief description of activity/activities.**

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**Are you currently employed?** Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please list employer, job title, how long you have worked for this employer, and a brief description of duties. Also, include the number of hours you work per week.

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Additional Questions Contact: Ms. Cheryl Reeves, Scholarship Committee Chairman: akacheryler@gmail.com.

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