



## 2026 GONZALES LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Lions Club International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.3 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas worldwide. Since 1917, Lions Clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth worldwide. Due to this commitment, the Gonzales Lions Club has created a scholarship for the students of Ascension Parish.

### SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

The Gonzales Lions Club Scholarship was established in 2015. It targets graduating seniors who show potential for success in furthering their education and who exhibit a commitment to serving others. One graduating senior from each public high school in Ascension Parish will receive a **\$1,000** scholarship to help defray the cost of their higher education expenses.

### REQUIREMENTS

A Selection and Review Committee will use the following criteria to make their selections:

- Student must be a graduating senior from an Ascension Parish School.
- Student must attend a Louisiana public or private college, university, or technical college.
- Student must have a 2.5 or higher cumulative grade point average.
- Student must ATTACH high school transcript.
- Student must ATTACH at least two (2) reference letters.
- Applicant must show evidence of active participation in school and community activities/service volunteering.
- Student must submit an essay describing what his/her plans are after graduation from college, trade or technical school.

### HOW TO APPLY:

The application must be filled out completely, providing the requested information. Incomplete/inaccurate applications will not be considered. **Submit your completed application online at [www.gonzaleslions.org](http://www.gonzaleslions.org) OR by email [scholarship@gonzaleslions.org](mailto:scholarship@gonzaleslions.org) OR by mail to Gonzales Lions Club, P.O. Box 4, Gonzales, LA 70707, Attention: Scholarship Committee. "Postage Due" applications will not be accepted.** (Please make sure adequate postage is provided.) Scholarship recipients will be notified by the Gonzales Lions Club through email and your school counselor, before graduation. The Lions Club Scholarship recipients will be recognized at a special dinner at a local restaurant. Your attendance is required.

**SCORING RUBRIC:** The rubric is based upon the following criteria with a maximum of 100 points:

- Community Volunteer Hours = 50 points
- GPA = 25 points
- School Extra-curricular activities = 25 points

**\*\*\*\*FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION.**

**GONZALES LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

**\*\*\*Application must be received by April 17, 2026. Submit your completed application online at [www.gonzaleslions.org](http://www.gonzaleslions.org) OR by email [scholarship@gonzaleslions.org](mailto:scholarship@gonzaleslions.org) OR by mail to Gonzales Lions Club, P.O. Box 4, Gonzales, LA 70707, Attention: Scholarship Committee.**

High School attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, LA Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

College, University, Trade or Technical School attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Major/Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and amount of any other scholarship(s) you expect to receive, including TOPS:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Academic Achievements or Honors: \_\_\_\_\_

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**School Related extracurricular activities/clubs**

Please provide information on your involvement in school-related extracurricular activities and clubs during your high school years. State your role and duties in each. Include a contact person and phone number for each organization for this information to be verified.

**Name of club/activity 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone/email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe your involvement (duties, responsibilities)**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL # of Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name of club/activity 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your involvement (duties, responsibilities)

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TOTAL # of Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of club/activity 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your involvement (duties, responsibilities)

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TOTAL # of Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide information on your involvement in community volunteer projects/programs during your high school years. State your role and duties in each. Include a contact person and phone number for each organization for this information to be verified.

Community Volunteer Project/Organization/Program Name 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your involvement:

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TOTAL # of Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Volunteer Project/Organization/Program Name 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your involvement:

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TOTAL # of Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU MAY ATTACH ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES OR PROJECTS ON A SEPARATE SHEET IF NEEDED**

**\*\*Write and attach an essay describing what your plans are, post-college, trade, or technical school. Please include who or what may have inspired you to pursue this goal.**

The essay must be a minimum of 150 words, typed, double-spaced, in a 12-point Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: Postmarked by April 17, 2026, OR submitted via email or online by 4:00 P.M., on April 17, 2026.**

**MAIL TO: Gonzales Lions Club, P.O. Box 4, Gonzales, LA 70707, Attention: Scholarship Committee**

**EMAIL TO: [scholarship@gonzaleslions.org](mailto:scholarship@gonzaleslions.org)**

**SUBMIT ONLINE: [www.gonzaleslions.org](http://www.gonzaleslions.org)**

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**Authorization Information – Please Initial Each**

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that I am the parent and/or legal guardian of the child named above, and

That I have the proper authority to execute this authorization.

\_\_\_\_\_ If awarded a scholarship, I will allow the Ascension Parish School Board and the

Gonzales Lions Club, to use my name, story and picture for printed and

video reports, and press releases without compensation.

\_\_\_\_\_ If awarded a scholarship, I understand I must meet the criteria as decided by the

Scholarship Committee and will attend a ceremony and/or reception to receive

my scholarship award.

**I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge and grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with the Gonzales Lions Club Scholarship Committee and the Ascension Parish School Board.**

Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\* If you submit your application electronically, you will need to complete this authorization page and submit a scan of the document OR send the original by regular mail to the following address:**

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