



Application

Deadline: Must be postmarked by Monday, Midnight, March 20, 2026

Required

To be eligible to compete for the Scholarship, an individual must:

- Graduate from high school in the same academic year he/she will begin college, (between 12/1 of the previous year and 8/31 of the year in which the scholarship is awarded)
- Have earned a cumulative high school GPA of 3.00 or better (which must be satisfied as of the date of submission of the scholarship application). An up-to-date transcript must be submitted with the application. If the student is awarded the scholarship, in order to be eligible to receive the scholarship, the student also must have continued to maintain a cumulative high school GPA of 3.00 or better as of the time of graduation from high school.
- Have applied for admission into a 4-year full-time bachelor's degree program at an accredited public in-state Florida college or university (start date no later than 9/30 of the year in which the scholarship is to be awarded).
- Be a United States citizen, a permanent resident of Hillsborough County, Florida, and a member of the Jewish faith.
- Demonstrate financial need as set forth in the financial guidelines in the online application.

In addition to meeting the eligibility requirements, applicants must demonstrate accomplishments in leadership and/or community service and/or obstacle(s) overcome. This can be done in several ways and must include one letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor or administrator. All applicants must also submit a 500-word essay. Although not a requirement for eligibility, favorable consideration will be given to applicants who attended the Jewish Community Center Preschool in Hillsborough County, Florida.

• Applications will be accepted between February 1 and March 20, 2026. We cannot accept applications outside of these dates. Postmarks will be used as verification of date. Please plan accordingly.

Application Process

Step 1: Complete application.

Step 2: Please provide a 500-word essay on the following subject:

“Explain what you do or have done to make a difference in your community, school, family or the world.”

Step 3: CHECKLIST: Ensure the following is in the envelope in this order:

Background and Additional Information

Essay

Demonstration of accomplishments in leadership and/or community service and/or obstacle(s) overcome

Letter of recommendation

Verify submission date between 2/1/26 and 3/20/26

Transcript verifying GPA as of 12/31/26

Required Financial Information

Please don't fold the application, keep all paperwork flat.

Step 4: Staple all the paperwork together, essay on top, and *mail this entire package (in a 9" x 12" envelope) to:*

Louise Eatroff Memorial College Scholarship Fund

c/o Alissa Fischel

Tampa Jewish Community Centers & Federation

13009 Community Campus Drive

Tampa, FL 33625

(continue to next page)



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

FIRST NAME: _____ MIDDLE INITIAL: _____

LAST NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ HOME PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

NAME OF PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR: _____

PHONE # OF SCHOOL: _____ GRADUATION DATE: _____

Please note:

We did not ask for your Social Security Number. However, you will be asked for it if you are selected as a recipient. (By the way, it's not a good idea to provide your SSN to anyone unless you know exactly what it is to be used for).

