# Scholarship Application & Essay Tips

## Application and Essay Tips

**•** All application materials should be typed if possible

• Be thorough and answer all questions, leaving just one blank could cost you the scholarship

**•** Be sure to include all extracurricular activities, sports, clubs, or organizations you have been a part of

**•** Be sure to include all honors, awards, or special recognitions you have received

**•** Be sure to include any community service work you have done

**•** Be sure to clearly define your goals and future plans

**•** Be sure you proofread your application and essay and have a teacher or parent proofread it as well

**•** Be sure to include any requested documents such as transcripts and letters of recommendations

## Samples of extracurricular activities, sports, clubs, and organizations

**•** Sports teams

**•** Student Council

**•** Class Officers

**•** National Honor Society

**•** Future Educators of America (FEA)

**•** Future Farmers of American (FFA)

**•** Boys/Girls Scouts

Examples of honors, awards, and special recognitions

• Valedictorian

• Salutatorian

• Top 10% of class

• FFA Officer

• National Honor Society Officer  
• HOBY Ambassador

• Buckeye Boys/Girls State Delegate

• WestPoint Leaders Award

• U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete

• Sports team special recognition such as MVP, 1st team, Bulldog Award, etc.

• Homecoming court

Examples of Community Service & Community Involvement

• Volunteer time at animal shelter

• Volunteer at the library

• Serve food at homeless shelter

• Helped pick up trash in the community

• Involvement in fundraiser

• Mowed lawn or raked leaves for elderly neighbor