

2024 SCHOLARSHIP SEASON



The purpose of the Carson Scholars Program is to recognize and reward outstanding students in the United States who exemplify academic excellence and humanitarian qualities. The goal of the Carson Scholars Program goes beyond instilling an interest in college early on and assisting with the costs of college.

- 1. Carson Scholars are role models in their schools.** The impact of our program extends from individual students and families to schools and classrooms. Carson Scholars encourage other students in their schools to strive for excellence and serve as peer role models. Our research shows that 94% of our scholars feel that being named a Carson Scholar has helped them become role models in their schools.
- 2. Carson Scholars are recognized by their schools.** As part of the Carson Scholars Program, schools are provided with a trophy to be proudly displayed. The aim is to reinforce academic achievements and to refocus the spotlight on education; too often athletic achievements are recognized more often than academic successes.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Students must be enrolled in grades 4-11 at an accredited school in the United States.
- Unless otherwise told by CSF staff, only one student from each school can be nominated.
- Students must exemplify academic excellence (minimum 3.75 GPA on 4.0 scale for current year report card). Visit our website to review how CSF calculates GPAs:
<http://carsonscholars.org/gpa-calculation-rules-and-policies>
- Students must display strong humanitarian qualities. We are looking for students who participate in community service above and beyond what is required in school.
- Students must not be a previous Carson Scholar award recipient.

AWARD

- Scholarship winners named “Carson Scholars” will receive a \$1,000 scholarship invested towards a four-year college or university.
- An Olympic-sized medal and certificate of achievement.
- Scholar will be recognized with family, friends and educators for their efforts.
- Schools receive a trophy highlighting the student’s achievement.
- Once a student is named a “Carson Scholar” he/she is eligible to apply for Scholar Recognition in future years.



APPLICATION PROCESS



Nomination Form Available

October 16, 2023

Application Deadline

January 12, 2024

Notification

March 2024

Nomination Deadline

December 15, 2023

Teacher Recommendation Deadline

January 12, 2024



NOMINATION

- Unless otherwise told by CSF staff, only one student from each school can be nominated.
- Principals and educators will receive an email with a link to the online nomination form.
- Complete the nomination form by providing the nominee's contact information, GPA and email address (application will be distributed to nominee via email).
- The sooner a school nominates a student, the more time the student will have to complete the application.
- Deadline to nominate a student is 8:00 p.m. Eastern time (ET) on Friday, December 15, 2023.

ONLINE APPLICATION

- Within 48 hours of nomination, the student will receive an email with a link to the online application.
- Students have until 8:00 p.m. ET on Friday, January 12, 2024 to complete the online application.
- Application includes essay, description of community service activities, submission of report card, teacher recommendation and biographical information.
- **Teacher recommendations are due by Friday, January 12, 2024 by 8:00 p.m. ET.**

NOTIFICATION

- Winners and non-winners will be notified via mail in March 2024.
- Winners will be recognized with family, friends and educators for their efforts.

IMPORTANT NOTE

We look forward to working with you in the 2024 scholarship season. **Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8 AM until 5 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST).** Please note that support will not be available outside of office hours.

For more information, visit our website:
<http://carsonscholars.org/scholarships>

Questions? Please call 410-828-1005.

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