The Junior League of The Palm Beaches provides a student scholarship to further our mission of advancing women’s leadership by empowering young women in our area to reach their full academic potential. Through this scholarship program, the Nominating Committee endeavors to reward the efforts of young women in the Palm Beach County Community who likewise show a commitment to bettering themselves, their peers, and the community as a whole through educational achievement and community involvement.

JLPB External Scholarships are available to local female high school seniors seeking to pursue an undergraduate degree at an institution of higher learning and are intended to provide financial assistance for college. The number of scholarships awarded each year is determined based on our annual budget, and the amount available for all scholarships is published along with available applications on that year’s information and application page.

Applications open in February and are due by April 10th of the applicable year giving the Nominating Committee time to review each application and notify those women who have been awarded scholarships in time to attend our May General Membership Meeting where scholarship recipients are recognized.

The Junior League of the Palm Beaches is pleased to announce this year’s opportunity for students to apply for a scholarship to support the achievement of their post-secondary educational goals.

JLPB will be awarding one scholarship; these are available to any female high school senior seeking to pursue an undergraduate degree at an institution of higher learning and are intended to provide financial assistance for college. Scholarship is awarded in the amount of $1,500.

**Applications are due by April 10th, 2024.**

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

The purpose of the scholarship is exclusively educational and charitable and is intended to promote voluntary participation in community affairs and to perpetuate social change in the Palm Beach County communities that will benefit most from it.

This is a non-need-based scholarship.

To qualify for a Junior League of the Palm Beaches scholarship, you must:

* Possess a minimum cumulative GPA of **3.0** (on a 4.0 scale)
* Be a female student expecting to graduate this year from a Palm Beach County, Florida, high school and enroll in a full-time undergraduate degree-granting program or a two-year college program.

**HOW ARE AWARDEES SELECTED?**

1. The Nominating Committee evaluates applicant eligibility based on academic achievement, community involvement, and JLPB ‘s community focus: youth literacy.
2. The Nominating Committee convenes and makes final award recommendations by April 20th to extend an invitation to JLPB’s May General Membership meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 to accept the award in person.
3. Scholarships are not renewable and are only applicable to one school year.

**WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?**

To be considered for a Junior League of The Palm Beaches scholarship award, you must provide the following items:

* Completed scholarship: [Click Here to Apply!](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHt_vBwZChJH1jsPTSzhTP5XXaqKPwUrb3NiiGNABk-VZOjw/viewform)
* Essays:
	+ One (1) Volunteerism Essay - two prompt choices, not to exceed 100 words (see prompts below and on the application page)
	+ One (1) Personal Essay - two prompt choices, not to exceed 750 words (see prompts below and on the application page)
* One letter of recommendation (school counselor/teacher/community leader–non-family)
* Unofficial transcript of grades (an official transcript will be required by all scholarship recipients before disbursement)
* Acceptance and/or affirmation of application to a college/university (if available)

**WHAT IS THE APPLICATION AND SELECTION TIMELINE?**

The following are tentative dates for the Junior League of the Palm Beaches Scholarship Program:

* *April 10th, 2024:* Deadline for all application materials
* *April 18th, 2023:* Completion of application review by Nominating Committee
* *April 20th, 2024:*  Award Notification
* Award will be presented at the Junior League of the Palm Beaches’ General Membership Meeting on *May 21, 2024* (Invitation to Follow)
* Award recipient will be notified with award disbursement details.

**HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT I AM SELECTED TO RECEIVE AN AWARD?**

All applicants will be notified about the Junior League of The Palm Beaches’ decision regarding a scholarship award in writing via email no later than April 20, 2024.

**Applications** [**Click Here**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHt_vBwZChJH1jsPTSzhTP5XXaqKPwUrb3NiiGNABk-VZOjw/viewform) **are online this year.**

Please complete your application via Google Form link above. You must complete your online application and upload all of the following documents prior to **April 10th, 2024** to complete your application:

* Essay Portion –
1. Volunteerism Essay: The focus area of the Junior League of the Palm Beaches is youth literacy. This focus includes education, leadership and volunteerism. If you have any volunteer experience in these areas, please be sure to highlight it.

1. What do you feel is the most important quality necessary to be an effective volunteer? (Maximum 100 words).
2. What has been your most gratifying volunteer experience and why? (Maximum 100 words).

	1. Personal Essay: (Maximum 750 words).
3. Describe a social issue you are interested in and how your major(s) and/or career will help you address or otherwise make an impact on this issue
4. What woman has been your biggest influence or inspiration, and why? (Maximum 100 words).
* Grades/Unofficial Transcript – (Please note that if you are chosen to receive a scholarship, you will be required to mail in an official high school transcript before funds may be disbursed.)
* Letter of Recommendation
* Resume including school and community activities in which you have participated such as varsity and club sports, scouting, religious groups, and student government. Include memberships in Honor Society, Beta Club, and volunteer activities. Include any jobs you have held and/or currently hold while attending high school. List any honors, awards, and/or other special recognitions you have received while in high school.

If you or a school official have any issues or concerns regarding this requirement or any other questions, please email us at nominating@jlpb.org.