



Alton “Al” Wright Youth Apprentice Scholarship 2026-27 Guidelines

Scholarship Information

The Alton “Al” Wright Youth Apprentice Scholarship was established to provide support for a qualified high school senior who has participated in the Gulfstream Youth Apprentice program and is scheduled to graduate in the Spring of the current academic year and who plans to pursue an undergraduate degree at an accredited college or university.

The Alton “Al” Wright Youth Apprentice Scholarship Award may be up to \$15,000 per academic year and is renewable up to a maximum of three additional school years or until undergraduate degree requirements are completed, whichever comes first. Renewal is based on evidence of good academic progress (3.0 or above cumulative GPA), good disciplinary standing and confirmation of continued enrollment as a full-time student in an accredited degree program. Financial need is considered.

The annual scholarship competition is administered by Community Foundation of the Lowcountry through an independent advisory committee and awarded on the basis of academic achievement, leadership and extra-curricular activities. Financial need is considered.

Eligibility Criteria

- High school seniors who have participated in the Gulfstream Aerospace Youth Apprentice Program
- Will enter an accredited institution of higher education in the United States no later than the start of the next academic year
- Financial need is considered
- Student must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or the equivalent on an alternate

Application Requirements

1. A completed [online scholarship application](#), submitted by the deadline date.
2. An official copy of the applicant’s most recent transcript(s) showing grades for at least two years, **uploaded into the application, via 3rd party email, from the high school counselor or teacher.**
3. Essay (not to exceed 1000 words), typed into the online application, explaining how this scholarship will assist in achieving academic and career goals, including why your education is important to you in achieving these goals.
4. One recommendation letter from an adult non-family member **uploaded into the online application, via 3rd party email, from the reference.**
5. A PDF of student’s SAT/ACT College Board Score Report must be uploaded into the online application.
6. Submission Summary from FAFSA - showing Student Aid Index or a written statement explaining why Federal Aid was not applied for, uploaded into the online application.
7. Information from the parent’s or legal guardian’s most recent tax.
8. Information from the applicant’s most recent tax return.

Scholarship Type	Undergraduate/Post-Secondary	How to Apply	Click Here
Award	Varied, may have multiple recipients	Deadline	February 27, 2026

Selection of Recipients

The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients (subject to approval by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry Board of Directors). Scholarship funds will be awarded to cover educational costs for: tuition/fees, room and board, and books. Specific costs to be covered will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin.

Announcement of Scholarship Awards

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will send an official award letter and related information to each recipient. A public announcement of scholarship recipients may be arranged by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Recipients may be further recognized through Awards Day programs at their schools.

Distribution of Scholarship Funds

The Community Foundation will advise all scholarship recipients of the distribution method of scholarship awards and review the students' responsibilities to the Scholarship Program they have been selected for. These responsibilities may include sending transcripts at the end of the year for renewable scholarships, and providing notification of all address changes or changes in student status or enrollment. In accordance with the Community Foundation's policy, scholarship funds will be paid in the form of a check made payable to the college/school of the scholarship recipient. Checks will be mailed to the college/school. Notification of payment will be sent to the scholarship recipient.