

VICTORY SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Welcome Letter 2019

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Victory Spouses' Club (VSC) Scholarship. The Victory Spouses' Club is an all ranks spouse club located at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. We are proud to offer scholarships through funds provided by the Scholarship Account of the Victory Spouses' Club.

Eligibility: VSC members (with paid membership by February 2019 and in good standing) and their children are eligible for this scholarship. Scholarships are for post-high school education to include college (to include bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees), trade or vocational schools, and other training programs. You must not have accepted any other four-year full scholarship (military academy appointment, ROTC scholarship, or athletic scholarship).

Criteria: Multiple factors are used to determine who receives the scholarships. Our scholarships do not discriminate based on academic giftedness; instead we are looking for well-rounded applicants who possess the qualities reflected in this application: leadership potential, tenacity, resiliency, well-roundedness, and community involvement.

Scholarship Application Requirements: A **completed application** (cannot state "see attached/ see transcripts"), **transcripts** (if applying for first year of college/trade/vocational school- High School transcripts are acceptable, home school students need to submit a list of courses, and all second-year post-high school need to send higher level education transcripts), **signed privacy statement**, **personal essay** (including word count), and **two professional references** (please, no personal references). Your professional references must come from the person providing the reference; all those submitted by the applicant will not be valid.

The initial application can be completed online at our website victoryspousesclub.org or requested via email at vsclscholarship@gmail.com. All additional portions of the application must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2019 and mailed to:

Victory Spouses' Club

Attn: Scholarship Chair

PO Box 10061

Fort Jackson, SC 29207

For more information please contact vsclscholarship@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Your Victory Spouses' Club Board

**Keep this letter for your records. Please do not send this letter back with your application packet. **

VSC Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Q: How will I know if you received my application?

A: Each applicant wishing an acknowledgement that the application packet has been received must submit, with the application itself, a self-addressed, stamped envelope or email the vscscholarship@gmail.com for confirmation.

Q: When will we know if we received a scholarship?

A: Scholarship notices will be notified by May 13, 2019.

Q: If I earn a scholarship, how will the school get the money?

A: The award will be made directly to the academic institution upon receipt of an official school "Verification of Student Enrollment" sent by the registrar's Office.

Q: If I need to start school later than I initially thought when I applied, how does that affect my scholarship?

A: Any unusual circumstances, which might delay a student's educational schedule, must be brought to the attention of the Scholarship Chairman prior to this date to determine continued eligibility for the award.

Q: Is this scholarship available to pay for cosmetology school?

A: Yes! Any post-high school training opportunity is eligible.

Q: Our child has multiple disabilities, and would like to apply for job training. There are portions of this application he/she may not be able to complete himself. Is he/she still eligible for this scholarship?

A: Yes! Please contact the scholarship chairman so we can make the necessary application accommodations.

Q: I work full-time and cannot attend VSC luncheons; can I still apply for the scholarship?

A: You must be a VSC member by the end of February to be eligible to apply. If you meet the membership requirements, simply fill out the VSC membership form and pay the \$25 membership fee. (Membership form can be found at victoryspousesclub.org)

Q: Can extra achievements be included in the application?

A: We will consider any extra submissions. Please include any other materials you would like to be considered when you send in the scholarship application packet. If materials need to be sent via email, please send to vscscholarship@gmail.com.