

2023-2024 IHS Local Scholarship Application

Due Date: Friday, April 26, 2024

Please bring completed applications to the front office

Last Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

First Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Phonetic Pronunciation: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Student ID: [Click here to enter text.](#)

1. Please complete the “Student Request for Letter of Recommendation” form as completely as possible.

You will use this form to help you write the required essay! If you are to be considered for the Lions Club or Rotary Club scholarship your teacher and another adult will need this completed form to write a complete Letter of Recommendation for you.

See the “Student Request for Letter of Recommendation” form below this application

2. FAFSA or CA Dream Act

Show proof you have completed the application for the 2024-2025 School Year

(Print out a copy of the email sent to you that states “Processed Successfully” or show a copy of your Student Aid Report - See Example located below this application.

It's OK if you missed the March 2nd deadline. Complete the FAFSA or CA Dream ACT as soon as you can!

Directions on how to complete the FAFSA or CA Dream ACT are on the counseling tile located in Canvas. Contact Ms. Abono at abonos@luhsd.net if you have questions about these forms.

3. Application Essay Required

You will need to attach a response to the two prompts listed below that is: [1] typed, [2] double-spaced, [3] formatted in 12pt Times New Roman, & [4] **No more than two pages.**

Essay Prompt – Please introduce yourself and describe how your experiences at Independence High School have helped you succeed academically, mentally, socially and ultimately to graduate high school. Please include information about **any** leadership roles you have played, honors you have received and any community service opportunities you have taken while in your 4 years of high school.

Please refer to the Letter of Recommendation Form included in this application to help you organize your thoughts and answers for the essay.

4. Confidential Teacher Report Required

Contact two teachers and request that they fill out the “**Confidential Teacher Report**” form which will be handed to them by office staff.

The teacher will be commenting on the student’s academic strengths, attitude on campus, personality, leadership abilities, etc.

(The office will give the teachers the forms after you have completed and returned the rest of the application to the office)

Which 2 teachers will be completing your forms?

Teacher Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

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Student Profile

LAST NAME: [Click here to enter text.](#)

ADDRESS: [Click here to enter text.](#)

FIRST NAME: [Click here to enter text.](#)

CITY: [Click here to enter text.](#)

STUDENT PERSONAL EMAIL: [Click here to enter text.](#)

STUDENT CELL PHONE: [Click here to enter text.](#)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDED: [Click here to enter text.](#)

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDED: [Click here to enter text.](#)

What type of college/school do you plan to attend next year?

Community College 4-year College Trade/Technical School Other

Which colleges/schools did you apply to?

SCHOOL 1: [Click here to enter text.](#)

SCHOOL 2: [Click here to enter text.](#)

**If you know what you want to study in College or a Vocational Program please let us know.
Please also let us know a Career Goal that you might like to consider.**

Academic Major: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Career Goal: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Parent/Family Profile

Marital Status

Married Single Separated Divorced Widowed

Parent Employment Information

FATHER'S/GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION: [Click here to enter text.](#)

FATHER'S/GUARDIAN'S EMPLOYER: [Click here to enter text.](#)

MOTHER'S/GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION: [Click here to enter text.](#)

MOTHER'S/GUARDIAN'S EMPLOYER: [Click here to enter text.](#)

IF PARENT/GUARDIAN IS AN EMPLOYEE OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL
DISTRICTS PLEASE INDICATE BELOW:

NAME OF SCHOOL PARENT/GUARDIAN WORKS AT:
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Liberty Union, Brentwood, Knightsen, Byron :

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Confidential Family Information: (Optional Information that is helpful in matching you with certain scholarships)

1. Parent's combined gross Income in 2023: [Click here to enter text.](#)
2. Total \$ Student has saved: [Click here to enter text.](#)
3. Are you employed? [Click here to enter text.](#) If yes, then where and how long? [Click here to enter text.](#)
4. Are you a U.S. Citizen: [Click here to enter text.](#)
5. Indicate your ethnic background: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Example: White, Black, Hispanic, Filipino, Pacific Islander, Asian, American Indian

6. Please list any organizations, clubs or local unions in which you or your parents are members:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

7. With whom do you live and how many people live in your house? [Click here to enter text.](#)

8. How many people in your immediate family (including you) will be attending college next year? [Click here to enter text.](#)

9. Explain any circumstances that have caused a financial burden for your family: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Checklist

(Indicate with an **X** that you have included needed information)

1. Completed Student and Parent Profile (Pages 1 thru 3 of application) . [Click here to enter text.](#)
2. Completed **Student Request for Letter of Recommendation** worksheet: [Click here to enter text.](#)
3. Printout of confirmation that your FAFSA or CA Dream Act Applications have been processed: [Click here to enter text.](#)
4. Completed Essay Prompt - Please introduce yourself and describe how your experiences at Independence High School have helped you succeed academically, mentally, socially and ultimately to graduate high school. Please include information about **any** leadership roles you have played, honors you have received and any community service opportunities you have taken while in your 4 years of high school.. [Click here to enter text.](#)
5. Provided the names of 2 teachers who are willing to complete a Confidential Teacher Report for you and potentially write a letter of recommendation for you. [Click here to enter text.](#)
6. Deadline to submit application is April 26, 2024
 - a. Email to: cortesik@luhsd.net or
 - b. Hand deliver to I.H.S. Main Office or
 - c. Mail to: Attn: Scholarship Applications, 929 2nd Street, Brentwood, CA 94513

Example:



2023-24 Student Aid Report

TRANSACTION 03

Application Receipt Date:
01/26/2023

Processed Date:
08/21/2023

Data Release Number (DRN)
8804

Processing Results

[Learn about federal tax benefits for education, including the American Opportunity tax credit.](#)

Expected Family Contribution: 1919

Based on the information we have on record for you, your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is 1919. You may be eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant and other federal student aid. Your school will use your EFC to determine your financial aid eligibility for federal grants, loans, and work-study funds, and possible funding from your state and school.

Click on Link Below for Information on Financial Aid Forms
Information on FAFSA and CA Dream Act

Student Request for Letter of Recommendation

Student's Full Name _____ Cell Number _____

Home Address _____ E-Mail Address _____

Student Instructions:

This form is designed to help an individual write an accurate letter of recommendation for you. Please complete all sections of this form in as comprehensive a manner as possible. Use a separate piece of paper if necessary to give details. When you have completed this form, make a copy to keep for your records and turn a copy in with your Scholarship Application form.

1. Please list the colleges you are applying to (if any) below in order of preference: (Including any community colleges)
a. _____ b. _____ c. _____
2. What major(s) are you considering *or are you undecided*? _____
3. Do you plan to enroll in a Vocational or Trade Program? If yes, what is the name of the program?

4. What Career or Vocation are you considering? _____
5. What experiences have you had in this area? How did you develop this interest? Be specific & give details.

6. Do you plan on going into the Military? Y/N If yes...*Which Branch and why?*

7. Do you plan to work full time after graduation? Y/N If Yes... Where and in what field?

8. What experiences have you had in this area? How did you develop this interest? Be specific & give details.

9. What school subject do you enjoy the most and why? _____
10. What is your most difficult subject? _____
List four words to describe yourself: a. _____ b. _____
c. _____ d. _____
11. What awards, certificates of appreciation or honors have you earned in the last four years?
 Honor Roll Rotary Student of the Month School Board Recognition
 MVP Certificate of Appreciation Other _____

12. What would your friends or family tell you that is your biggest strength as a person? _____

13. What is your biggest challenge *educationally, emotionally and/or socially* that you have had to work to overcome? _____

14. Please list and give information about the following: **(Describe any *experiences or leadership positions* you have held and how the experience has helped you become a better student.)**
- a. School Activities: Leadership Poetry Out loud Other _____
 FFA Outside Sports Band Music or Theater (*Use separate paper to give details*)
- b. Sports _____
- c. Jobs (*current and past*) _____
- d. Community Service: Working with Gateway Students Working in the School Garden Other _____

- e. Clubs (please describe club and what level of involvement you have in it) _____

- f. Outside Activities (Boy Scouts, Church Involvement, Hobbies, *Taking classes at LMC, FFA*)

15. Please make note of any specific hardships you have had to overcome in your life that may have impacted your grades or ability to pursue extra-curricular activities.

16. Please list any SIGNIFICANT Travel Experiences that have impacted your life.

17. What special talents do you possess/what makes you unique? _____

18. Please give the names of three teachers or school employee who know you well enough to give a character reference and/or may be able to give details about your academic and personal accomplishments.
- a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

- Please answer all items in detail and give this completed form to your letter writer or Primary Teacher
- If you need an OFFICIAL Transcript, request forms can be requested from our Registrar Mary Warr