



Friends of the Forest

*Dedicated to the preservation of the Anacortes Community
Forest Lands through education, outreach & stewardship*

2017 Scholarship Instructions and Checklist

Please follow these instructions *carefully*. Only COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Applications are due in the AHS Counseling Center by Noon on March 31, 2017.

Please submit all of the following REQUIRED documents (#s 1-6 below) **with your application:**

- 1. **Résumé** that includes:
 - School Activities
 - Awards
 - Community Involvement
 - Volunteer Activities
 - Employment History
- 2. A copy of your **transcript(s)**, including 2016-2017 1st semester grades. Transcripts must be stamped by the registrar, but should NOT be sealed. *Please do not submit transcripts in an envelope.*
- 3. OFFICIAL **SAT and/or ACT score reports** **OR** a copy of report(s) stamped by the registrar.
(Required for graduating seniors only. SAT/ACT scores are optional for current college students.)
- 4. Page 1 (**only**) of the 2017-2018 **Student Aid Report (SAR)** from FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to document your EFC. *Note: The SAR is the report that you should see when you log into your FAFSA account and click on "View Processed Information (PDF Version)". You will see a box with Application Date, Process Date, EFC, DRN, etc. near the top of the report. The committee only needs page 1 of the report, which is most easily viewable/printed on the PDF version.*
- 5. *We'd like to know more about you.* In an **essay or personal statement** tell us about yourself: discuss how your past experiences and future goals relate to the Friends of the Forest Mission statement. (see the logo, above)
- 6. Completed Application form clipped to the front of the application packet.

Optional Information:

- Recommendations:** You may include up to two (2) recommendations from a teacher, coach, employer, club advisor, pastor, etc. Recommendations on letterhead are preferred.
- Supporting Information Statement:** Is there anything else we should know? You may attach a one page supporting information statement to help us to know you and your circumstances better, or to explain any omitted documents. *Note: This document is not required.* In the past, students have used this option to explain extenuating family or financial circumstances, reasons for omitted documents (some students with plans to attend community college, for example, may not have SAT scores), etc.

Please do NOT:

- Submit your application in any type of binder or folder
- Include photos, copies of awards or materials not specifically requested in the application (no part of the application will be returned)



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→→→Please attach this cover page to the front of your application←←←
 Return completed applications to the AHS Counseling Center by Noon March 31, 2017.

2017 Scholarship Application and Cover Page

The Anacortes Community Forest Lands are a unique and natural treasure making the heart of Fidalgo Island. They include over 2800 acres of varied second growth forest, rocky bald meadows, lakes, wetlands, mountains and lowland old growth. There are over 50 miles of multiple use trails throughout the forest. The forest supports a rich community of wild life and wild plants, while inspiring a dedicated network of human involvement.

Friends formed in 1987 to "preserve, protect and enjoy" our community forest. Since that time, Friends has been instrumental in community forest awareness programs. Each year we provide a wide range of educational activities that promote a greater understanding of our forest environment.

We are pleased to offer, since 2009, a scholarship to an Anacortes High School senior or a graduate of AHS, currently enrolled in college. We are looking for a student who has enthusiasm and a desire to be involved in the natural environment. The purpose of this scholarship is to see our mission of environmental education, stewardship and outreach be carried forward to future generations.

Criteria:

- Graduating Senior or College Student
- Future studies related to the outdoors, environment, conservation or nature
- A background of classes, studies, volunteer work or time spent in the natural environment (through writing, art, photography etc.)

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ Email _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Phone _____

School you plan to attend _____ Accepted? Yes Not yet
 (Circle one)

Intended Major or Area(s) of Interest: _____

2017-2018 Tuition* \$ _____ Room and Board* \$ _____

*from school website—DO include out of state tuition, if applicable. Do NOT include books, travel, etc

How much of your tuition/room and board will be funded by the school or other government organizations _____

Not all ASF scholarships go to students with the highest grades. A main criterion of many awards is financial need. Tell us why you need financial help by checking off one or more of the following:

- I qualify for free or reduced lunch
- I am a foster student
- I have a unique family situation (Elaborate in questions 5 or 7)
- Expected Family Contribution (EFC)** from the FAFSA \$ _____ (required)

List of 2nd semester courses you are currently attending: _____

Please Read and Sign below:

I have reviewed my application and I verify that all required documents, per the checklist on the Application Instructions page, are included in my complete application. Furthermore, I attest that all the information I have provided is honest and accurate. I understand that my high school counselor may be asked to provide additional feedback to the scholarship committee.

Applicant Signature

Date