

**LAFD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
MERIT SCHOLAR
2018 APPLICATION**
(Please type or print clearly.)

APPLICANT NAME: _____

Street Address: _____ **Email:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

High School: _____ **Year of Graduation:** _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

COLLEGE: Please list the names of the colleges to which you have applied. In addition, indicate which ones have accepted you, and if you have already committed to one.

	College	Applied	Accepted	Attending
1.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PARENT/STEP-PARENT AFFILIATED WITH THE APPLICANT:

Name: _____ **Assignment:** _____

<p>I certify that it is my intention to be a full-time student in the upcoming college school year and that all statements on this Application Form and attachments are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false, misleading or incomplete information shall be sufficient cause for my disqualification.</p> <p>Applicant Name: _____</p>	<p>I certify that it is my child's intention to be a full-time student in the upcoming college school year and that all statements on this Application Form and attachments are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false, misleading or incomplete information shall be sufficient cause for disqualification of my child.</p> <p>Parent Name: _____</p>
<p>Signature: _____ Date: _____</p>	<p>Signature: _____ Date: _____</p>

Applicant Name: _____

SCHOLARSHIPS OR GRANTS: (List the name, date and a brief description of the selection criteria for any award you have won for the current or upcoming academic year.)

OTHER HONORS AND AWARDS: (List name, date and a brief description of the criteria and selection process for each Honor or Award.)

Academic: _____

Athletic: _____

Other: _____

Applicant Name: _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

(Please list in order of importance to you.)

Athletics/Performing Arts/Student Government

NAME OF ORGANIZATION OR ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY (INCLUDING POSITIONS HELD)	APPROXIMATE DATES OF PARTICIPATION AND TIME COMMITMENT	NAME AND TELEPHONE # OF CONTACT PERSON

Community Service/Work Experience /Other

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BEST ESSAY CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS: A Best Essay submission is required for all Merit Scholar applicants. After you have read “#ESSAY TOPIC” below, please compose your **Tweet** and prepare an **Essay** describing your position and your rationale in support of that position more fully.

Your **Submission:**

1. Must include a **Tweet** of no more than 280 characters,
2. Must include an **Essay** not to exceed 500 words,
3. Must be **typed on a separate sheet of paper**, and
4. Must have your **name at the top** of the page.

In addition to conformance to these rules, your submission will be evaluated based on content, syntax and style. Also, while creativity may be an important element of your submission, it is essential that you express yourself clearly using correct spelling and grammar.

#ESSAY TOPIC. Over the past several years, “tweeting” has become a part of everyday life. Celebrities do it, news services do it, even presidents do it – everyone, it seems, is getting into the act. Tweets on almost any topic fill the airwaves daily, and they are not only shaping how we view contentious issues, but also altering the very character and tone of the debate.

In the past few months, much of the twitter conversation has centered on the inherent contradiction of college campuses as “safe spaces” (places free from bias, conflict, criticism or potentially threatening actions, ideas or conversations) and campuses as shrines to free speech (where exposure to the widest possible array of ideologies is essential to developing critical thinking skills).

Pretend you are a world-renowned figure (other than yourself) with hundreds of thousands of followers and draft your most persuasive tweet to let them know how you sort out this seeming contradiction. Remember, your Tweet can only be 280 characters!

[Your Tweet is being prepared only for the purposes of competing in the LAFD Scholarship Fund Best Essay Contest. As we will not be posting any submission on any social media platform, you do not need to incorporate a photo, video or link with your Tweet.

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PLEASE ALSO TELL US:

What is the last book you read for pleasure and what about it appealed to you? _____

What is your favorite movie and why? _____

What person in public life do you most admire and why? _____

What is your favorite keepsake or memento and why it is important to you? _____

What words would your friends use to describe you? _____

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STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES:
(Please fill in all applicable scores.)

SAT Scores

Date(s)	Math	Reading/Writing	Total

ACT Scores

Date(s)	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite

CAHSEE Scores

Date(s)	Eng./Lang. Arts	Math

RECOMMENDERS:

#1 Name: _____ Title: _____

Relationship: _____

#2 Name: _____ Title: _____

Relationship: _____