

Scholarship Essay Help

Create a Scholarship Essay Template for yourself, then tweak it for the different scholarships. Use the following to help you brainstorm. You do not need to include everything listed below, these are just ideas to help you find what is meaningful and guide you in telling your story!

Most scholarships request a one to two page letter.

Date

Dear Scholarship Committee (or use name of the person you are addressing)

First Paragraph

- Describe your short term goals. (post secondary & career goals)
- Describe your long term goals (**Why** do you want to be a _____ / Why is this a good fit for you, your interests, your strengths. How will your career choice contribute to society)

Second Paragraph

- Talk about yourself, including what the scholarship committee wants to know about you.
- Describe **leadership** in school / community
- Describe **volunteer** in school / community
- Describe hobbies/ activities in school / community
- Describe Special achievements
- Describe how you have been helpful to others
- Describe any important life experiences (hardships or adversities) you have overcome and have shaped who you are. What you have learned from these experiences.
 - Decide what experience means the most to you! Tell them why!

Third Paragraph

- Financial Need
 - What are your financial needs? Any circumstances surrounding that.
 - Ideas: Do you have other siblings in post secondary? Will you be taking out student loans?

Fourth Paragraph

- Closing paragraph (ie. Thank you for this opportunity, if you require anything else....)

Your Name

Email

Phone number

Address, City, Province, Postal Code

