



Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards

2009 Application

Postmark Deadline: January 9, 2009 (DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATION TO YOUR LOCAL ELKS LODGE!)
Send Application To: Elks National Foundation
ATTN: Scholarship Office
2750 N. Lakeview Ave.
Chicago, IL 60614-2256

Dear Applicant:

We are happy to provide you with this scholarship application for the 2009-10 thru 2012-13 academic years! The ENF Legacy Awards scholarship contest awards four-year, \$4,000 scholarships to children and grandchildren of Elk members who are high school seniors, going on to college and exhibit the core values of the Elks National Foundation: Knowledge, Charity, Community and Integrity. The ENF will award up to 250 Legacy Awards to be used during the 2009-10 thru 2012-13 academic years.

The following eligibility requirements apply for this contest:

1. Any child or grandchild (or step-child, step-grandchild, or legal ward) of a living Elk who joined the order on or before April 1, 2006, and has been a member in good standing since then, or a charter member of a Lodge that was instituted on or after April 1, 2006, is eligible to apply. The Elk must also be a paid-up member through March 31, 2009. Great-grandchildren are not eligible.
2. The applicant must be a high school senior.
3. The applicant must apply through the related member's Elks Lodge, regardless of where the applicant resides.
4. If the applicant's parent and grandparent are both Elk members, the applicant must apply through the parent's Elks Lodge.
5. Students may apply for more than one ENF scholarship; however, they may win only one. In cases where the student qualifies for more than one, we will award the scholarship with the greater value.
6. Legacy Awards may only be applied to accredited US American schools, colleges or universities. The award cannot be used for vocational or technical schools. (Note: Winners from Panama and the Philippines may apply Legacy Awards toward schools, colleges or universities in their respective home country.)
7. Applicants must take the SAT or ACT by December 31, 2008, to receive consideration for a Legacy Award.
8. Students compete against other students from their state or area.

Each state is eligible to receive a number of awards based on its past support of the Elks National Foundation. Due to IRS regulations, the Foundation may award Legacy Awards to no more than 25 percent of the applicants in each state. Each state's quota is divided evenly among children and grandchildren.

Make a photocopy of your application for your records. All applications become the property of the B.P.O. Elks of the U.S.A. and the Elks National Foundation.

The student, the sponsoring Elk, and the Lodge Secretary must complete their respective sections. The ENF will reject incomplete applications.

To be eligible, the application must be sent to the ENF office postmarked no later than January 9, 2009.

Upon receipt of the application, we will send the applicant an email or postcard noting the application was received. Legacy Award winners will be announced in late April 2009.

For additional information, contact the ENF Scholarship Office, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL, 60614, scholarship@elks.org, 773/755-4732, or visit www.elks.org/enf/scholars.

Sincerely,
Elks National Foundation

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Legacy Awards

Required Signatures

NOTE: To be eligible to participate in the contest, the student, the sponsoring Elk and the Lodge Secretary must complete their respective sections.

Part One. Applicant

By signing this application, I agree, if asked, to provide additional information that will verify the accuracy of my completed application. If I purposely give false or misleading information, I will be disqualified from this contest. I agree to the use of my name and any information contained within the application, for advertising, promotional and publicity purposes without consent or compensation. I understand that the decisions of the ENF Legacy Award Selection Committee with respect to the selection of award winners are final.

Relationship to Elk: (Check only one. If both, choose child.) Child Grandchild

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Part Two. Elk Parent/Grandparent

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and that the applicant meets all eligibility requirements. I understand that the decisions of the ENF Legacy Award Selection Committee with respect to the selection of award winners are final. **I have enclosed a copy of my membership card.**

Relationship to Applicant: Father Step-Father Legal Guardian
 Mother Step-Mother (Proof required.)
 Grandparent Step-Grandparent

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Phone Number: () _____ Email: _____

Name of your Elks Lodge: _____ How long have you been an Elk? _____

Elks Lodge Number: _____ State: _____ Your Lodge Membership No.: _____

Parent/Grandparent Signature _____ Date _____

Part Three. Sponsoring Lodge

I certify that the applicant's parent/grandparent meets all eligibility requirements.

Has the Elk listed in Part II been a member in good standing since at least **April 1, 2006**? Yes No
(If no, the applicant is ineligible. Do not send application.)

Has the Elk listed in Part II paid his or her membership dues through **March 31, 2009**? Yes No
(If no, the applicant is ineligible. Do not send application.)

Please complete the following information for the sponsoring Elk parent or grandparent:

Lodge No.: _____ Membership Number: _____ Initiation Date: _____

If we need to reach the Lodge Secretary during the day:

Phone Number: () _____ Email: _____

Secretary Signature _____ Date _____

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ENF Office Use Only

Lodge No. _____

State Code _____

Fiscal Year _____

ENF ID _____

This application is designed to collect information about your background, your interests, and your college and career plans. Your answers to these questions are confidential and will be reviewed by an independent scholarship selection committee. Please limit your responses to the space provided—except where noted—and type or print legibly. To be eligible, you must use the official 2009 Legacy Awards application. This application can also be downloaded at www.elks.org/enf/scholars. **See page 5 for complete application instructions.**

Application Requirements Checklist: (Do not send any of these items separately.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Do not use staples or place in a folder | <input type="checkbox"/> Required Signatures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Service to Community Essay 1. – 200 words or less | <input type="checkbox"/> Official transcript of grades (through Jr. year) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elks Involvement Essay 2. – 200 words or less | <input type="checkbox"/> SAT/ACT scores |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Final Essay Question – 500 words or less | <input type="checkbox"/> Two letters of reference |

You – The Applicant:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Init. _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Mailing Address (if different than above) _____

Telephone () _____ Date of Birth _____ Male Female
(month/day/year)

Email _____

1) Your Schooling

When do you expect to graduate from high school? Month _____ Year _____

Your high school's name: _____

Your high school's address: _____

List all other high schools you have attended in the past three years, starting with the most recent.

Name of School	Location (City and State)	Dates of Attendance
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2) Academic Profile

Does your school offer honor courses? Yes No Are you participating? Yes No

Does your school offer Advanced Placement classes? Yes No Are you participating? Yes No

If so, please list the AP classes you have taken or are enrolled in _____

Your GPA _____ Your class rank _____ Number of students in class _____

List all senior year courses on grid, by subject. If applicable, check Honors or A.P.

Subject: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Honors <input type="checkbox"/> A.P.	Subject: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Honors <input type="checkbox"/> A.P.	Subject: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Honors <input type="checkbox"/> A.P.	Subject: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Honors <input type="checkbox"/> A.P.
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Enter the full name of your first-choice college: _____
 What is your planned college course of study? _____
 What is your intended career choice? _____

3) Your Work Experience

List jobs you've held from **June 1, 2007 - December 31, 2008**. Include baby-sitting and work on a family farm or for a family business, even if you weren't paid. **List total hours worked, not average hours per week.** If necessary, you may attach another sheet structured identically to the application. (You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.)

Total Hours	Dates of Employment	Type of Work	Name of Employer
= Grand Total Hours of Employment (June 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008)			

4) Your Service to the Community

List volunteer work or community service performed, without pay, over the past three years, **Sept.1, 2005 – December 31, 2008**. If necessary, you may attach another sheet structured identically to the application. (You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.)

Total Hours	Dates of Participation	Type of Service	Name of Agency/ Organization
= Grand Total Hours of Service (September 1, 2005 –December 31, 2008)			

Rank, in order of importance, your three most significant community service projects.

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Short Essay Question 1.

Think about the three projects you listed above. Choose one, and in 200 words or less, tell us what you learned about yourself—your strengths, weaknesses and aspirations—and how you expect to use what you learned in the future. **Attach a separate sheet with your typed, dated and signed answer.** Be sure to clearly indicate the essay question number.

5) Your Activities – Grades 9 through 12

If you need more room than we've provided, attach a separate sheet, but format it identically to our application. You may also substitute an activity sheet for this section, but again, the sheet must be formatted identically to our application.

Honors and Awards

Include scholastic, extracurricular and civic honors and awards. State the nature of award and grade in which it was won. Please do not abbreviate names of awards.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____
- 11. _____
- 12. _____

Offices and Positions of Leadership

State full name of organization, office and grade(s) office was held, starting with the most recent, i.e., Chess Club, Treasurer, 11.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for three or more years

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for at least three years during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. Boy Scouts, 9, 10, 11.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for two years

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for two years during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. 4-H, 11,12.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

Activities and Organizations you participated in for one year

Include all scholastic, extracurricular and civic organizations that you participated in for one year during grades 9 to 12, even those listed in Offices and Positions of Leadership section. State name of organization and the grades you were involved: i.e. Badminton Team, 9.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____

6) Elks Experience - Short Essay Question 2.

In 200 words or less, describe any experiences or involvement that you (the applicant) have had with the Benevolent & Protective Order of the Elks of the USA. **Attach a separate sheet with your typed, dated and signed answer.** Be sure to clearly indicate the essay question number.

7) Final Essay Question

Attach a separate sheet stating in 500 words or less the answers to these questions:

If you could have dinner with one figure from American history, who would you choose and why? What issues would you discuss?

The essay must be typed, dated and signed. Note: You will not be judged on who you choose to write about. You will be judged on the argument you set forth to defend your choice, as well as on the structure of the essay.

Legacy Awards Application Instructions

1) Your Schooling

Supply your high school information.

2) Academic Profile

Supply information concerning courses offered by your high school. Complete grid with your senior year courses. Tell us about your college plans.

3) Your Work Experience

List jobs held from June 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. List total hours worked during that time period, not average hours per week. **You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed.**

4) Your Service to the Community

List community service performed over the last three years, Sept. 1, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2008. List total hours served during this time period, not average hours per week. You will receive 0 points in this section if you do not list your hours as instructed. **On a separate sheet of paper, answer short essay Question 1.**

5) Your Activities, Honors and Awards

The following is a list to assist in completion of the Honors and Awards section. Include awards such as Eagle Scout; Gold Award; Teen of the Year; Statewide or National Conferences (ex: Boy's/Girl's State, HOBY); major athletic award; and major academic award. Do not include awards such as Academic/Athletic Letter; Honor Roll; Perfect Attendance; Scout Merit Badges. This list is not inclusive. Activity sheets are acceptable replacements for this section, but must be structured identically to the application.

6) Elks Experience

Answer short essay Question 2. **Attach a separate sheet.**

7) Final Essay Question

Answer the final essay question in 500 words or less. **The essay must be typed, dated and signed.**

Transcript and SAT/ACT Scores

Include an official, complete, current high school transcript of student grades through your junior year. Transcript may be a photocopy that bears the original signature of the proper school authority.

SAT or ACT test scores taken before December 31, 2008, must be included, but may be photocopies. Use one set of ACT scores only, and/or up to two sets of SAT scores. It is not necessary to send a separate sheet of test scores if they are included on your transcript. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the scores are listed on the transcript.

Letters of Recommendation

Include two letters of recommendation. One must be from a high school teacher. The other may be from a high school teacher or responsible community member. The authors of the letters should not be related to you. The letters may cover your ability, work habits, leadership skills, participation in the community, work service, outstanding recognition, personality and integrity.

Letters may be originals or photocopies but must be limited to one side of a single sheet (8.5-by-11-inch) of paper, **typed, dated and signed by the author.**