



2019 Lippitt Perseverance Scholarship Application

With determination to succeed, we believe you can achieve your dreams. Many of our youth have already endured many traumas but are resilient and diligent and with commitment and hard work have achieved what many foster youth do not- graduating high school and/or completing their GED. The Lippitt Perseverance Scholarship is available to help you continue to further your education. This scholarship may be applied for during your Senior year in high school but is also available to those who have aged out and maybe need additional assistance after attempting education and hitting some hurdles that have caused barriers for completion (e.g. losing PESS benefit or other academic issues.)

Details:

A minimum of one \$1500 will be awarded each spring/summer for fall semester. Scholarship recipients can re-apply annually after the initial award but funds will not automatically renew and are subject to availability and reasonable progress on your educational plan. Application and relevant documents can be submitted to iamforthechild@galf6.org or via our online application found here: <http://www.herotoachild.org/menus/scholarship-opportunities.html>.

Timeline:

- Application opens on March 4, 2019. **Application deadline is April 3, 2019.**
- In person interviews if applicable will be held mid-April-early May, 2019.
- Awards will be noticed by May 13, 2019 with funds available by June 1, 2019.

To qualify you must be a student who:

1. Demonstrates qualities of perseverance, the potential for success, and a plan to get there
2. Is a graduating senior, a high school graduate or has a GED
3. Applied and been accepted to an accredited Community College or College/University or technical school
4. Has a minimum GPA of 2.5
5. Has financial need

Supplemental materials to include with your application:

1. Copy of high school transcript (attached to online application, emailed to iamforthechild@galf6.org or mailed to 14250 49th Street North, Ste 4000, Clearwater, FL 33762)
2. Essay (Attach the essay to the application or in online form)
3. Two references (list below)

Interviews may be requested, depending on applications received.



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Applicant Last Name: _____ Applicant First Name: _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____

E-Mail Address:

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Type of Placement: Relative Caregiver Non-Relative Caregiver Group Home

In Home or Re-unified Family Aged Out of Care Other _____

Name and Location of High School Attending/ed (if GED, please note):

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

Please identify scores on the following if available: _____ ACT
_____ SAT

List any academic honors, awards and membership/club activities while in high school:

List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and volunteer activities and/or employment:



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Name and Location of School You Will Attend in the Fall: _____

What is Your Planned Major: _____

Have You Been Accepted to Named School? _____

Attendance: _____ Full Time _____ Part Time; If part-time, please indicate course load: _____

How will attending a college/university/trade school, etc. help you to realize those plans:

If awarded a scholarship what will you use the funds* for? _____

**Funds will be paid to the entity directly, ie. If the request is for books, the funds will be paid to the store where books will be purchased.*

Will you receive any of the following*?

PESS Extended Foster Care Tuition & Fee Exemption

**Checking any of these does not affect your scholarship application in any way.*

Examples of perseverance include...

- Giving up your social media time to study
 - Keeping on studying even when the material is difficult
 - Working hard to better yourself despite challenges at home
 - Consistently staying up to date with your work or rapidly catching up after missing school
 - Saving money to get something you really want
 - Developing your talent(s)
 - Asking for assistance
 - Studying to improve your grades
 - Applying for something you didn't achieve the first time
 - Encouraging others to persevere
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Essay (minimum of 200 words). **Please submit as an attachment to the application.**

1. Please tell us about a time you persevered: how you overcame a significant challenge in your life or a time you have shown perseverance based on the examples above.
2. Tell us about yourself including your goals and how you plan to reach them as well as your personal strengths