



Soroptimist International of Antioch

Lela Sater High School Scholarship Application

General Instructions

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify for the \$2,000 Soroptimist International of Antioch scholarship, you must:

- Be a graduating senior girl residing in Antioch.
- Plan to pursue full-time education at a community college, four-year college, or vocational school.

Selection Criteria:

Your application will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- **Academic Performance:** Recommended GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- **Community Service:** Demonstrated involvement in community activities.
- **Extracurricular Activities:** Participation in school or community organizations.
- **Clarity of Purpose:** Clearly defined educational and career goals.
- **Determination:** Evidence of resilience and commitment to your goals.

Submission Guidelines:

Please type or print your responses clearly in dark ink. Submit this application along with three completed reference forms and an official transcript by **February 21, 2025**, to:

Soroptimist International Club of Antioch

P.O. Box 2352
Antioch, CA 94531

Award recipients will be notified by **March 8, 2025**.

Part I - Personal Data

Name (last, first, middle initial)

Address (number and street address)

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone (area code first)

E-mail address

Part II - Career Goals

1. Current School Attending:

2. GPA Information:

○ Current GPA: _____

○ Cumulative GPA: _____

3. Planned School After Graduation:

(Community College, Four-Year College, or Vocational School)

On a separate page or in the space provided, please provide thoughtful responses to the following questions:

Part III - Essay Questions

- 1. Describe your career goals.**
(Limit: 200 words)

- 2. Discuss your community service involvement and its impact on you.**
(Limit: 200 words)

- 3. How have your extracurricular activities shaped your character and determination?**
(Limit: 200 words)

- 4. Briefly explain your financial need and how it relates to your educational goals.**

Part III - Personal Statement

On a separate sheet of paper, please provide a personal statement of **750 words or fewer** explaining why you believe you should be considered for the Soroptimist Lela Sater High School Scholarship. In your statement, please address the following:

1. **Personal Background:** Share your experiences and challenges that have shaped who you are.
2. **Aspirations:** Discuss your career goals and what motivates you to pursue them.
3. **Educational Objectives:** Outline your plans for the next five years, including the institutions you aim to attend and the programs you intend to pursue.
4. **Impact of Scholarship:** Explain how receiving this scholarship will support your educational journey and help you achieve your goals.

We encourage you to be honest and reflective in your writing, sharing your unique story and vision for the future.

Part IV - References

Please include **three (3) letters of recommendation** with your application packet.

Recommendations may be from:

- Teachers
- School staff
- Employers
- Community leaders

Ensure that your references can speak to your character, work ethic, and potential for success in further education.

Part V - Official Transcript

Please include an official transcript of your current academic status in your application packet. This should reflect your academic performance and any relevant courses you have completed.

Part VI - Agreement

I certify that the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I understand that all the information is subject to verification and that falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. I give permission for the release of application materials (including application forms, personal statement and letters of recommendation) to authorized Soroptimist International of Antioch scholarship committee members. I authorize Soroptimist International of Antioch to use my name and photo in the promotion of the scholarship program if I am selected as a scholarship recipient without obtaining further consent.

Student Signature

Date

Guardian Signature (only if student is a minor under the age of 18)

Date

Soroptimist holds an annual awards dinner every year in April. At that dinner, we honor the women and girls in our community. If it turns out that you are the winner of the Lela Sater High School scholarship, we would like you and your parents to attend this dinner as our guests.

Thank you for taking the time to share your story and aspirations with us! We look forward to reviewing your application