

Part A: General Information

THE ROBERT G. BERGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND STUDENT APPLICATION

2026 – 2027 APPLICATION

(Application Deadline: April 30, 2026 by 3:00pm)

MUST BE TYPED

NAME:	
HOME ADDRESS:	
TELEPHONE:	
ALT PHONE:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING:	
EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE:	
NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN EMPLOYED BY OR RETIRED FROM WSSC:	
Parent/Guardian	
Parent/Guardian	
RELATIONSHIP:	

☐ I confirm that my parent/guardian is contributing the required amount to the Robert G. Berger Scholarship making me eligible for a scholarship award.

High School Seniors Only

List Institution(s) to which you have applied and the status of your application.

INSTITUTION	STATUS

Enter Your Name Here: _____

APPLICATION CHECK LIST FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

APPLICATION COMPLETION		
✓	Item	Details
	Part A – General Information	Name, Address, etc.
	Part B – Extracurricular Activities	High school students must complete this page in its entirety.
	Part C -- Extracurricular Activities	N/A for High School Students
	Part D – Personal Essay	Essay must be max. 500 words, 12 pt., double spaced. Times Roman. Review your essay for clarity and errors before you submit it with your application.
	Part E – Letters of Recommendation	Two letters must be dated within one year of scholarship application date.

APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS		
✓	Item	Details
	Official High School Transcripts	Official transcript will only be accepted. Transcript from the school website will not be accepted. It is HIGHLY SUGGESTED that the applicant obtain the transcript directly and include in this package rather than have it mailed by the guidance office.

I have reviewed my application. All information is complete and the supporting documentation is attached, as required in the above checklist.

Student Signature

Enter Your Name Here: _____

APPLICATION CHECK LIST FOR COLLEGE AND VOCATIONAL STUDENTS

APPLICATION COMPLETION		
✓	Item	Details
	Part A – General Information	Name, Address, etc.
	Part B – Extracurricular Activities	College freshmen and vocational students must complete information for the 11th & 12th grades on Part B.
	Part C – Extracurricular Activities	College freshmen and vocational students must also complete information for their freshman year of college or their first year of vocational school, in addition to that required on Part B. ALL OTHER college students (second year and beyond) complete only Part C.
	Part D – Personal Essay	Essay must be max. 500 words, 12 pt., double spaced. Times Roman.
	Part E – Letters of Recommendation	Two letters must be dated within one year of scholarship application date.

APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS		
✓	Item	Details (Read Carefully)
	Official High School Transcript	College and vocational students who have not completed four college semesters must include their high school transcripts, in addition to their college transcript. Only official transcripts will be accepted. It is HIGHLY SUGGESTED that the applicant obtain the transcript directly from their school and include it in the application package rather than have it mailed by the guidance office. Transcript must be on school letterhead.
✓	Item	Details (Read Carefully)
	Official College Transcript	Only official transcripts will be accepted. It is HIGHLY SUGGESTED that the applicant obtain the transcript directly from their school and include it in the application package rather than have it mailed by the admissions office. Transcripts must be on school letterhead.

I have reviewed my application. All information is complete and the supporting documentation is attached, as required in the above checklist.

Student Signature

Enter Your Name Here: _____

Part B: Extracurricular Activities – High School Seniors, College Freshmen, and Vocational Students

Please list school activities including team and club memberships, offices held, etc. List community activities, community service, and any paid work experience. Include any awards, special projects, etc. List the grade that you participated in the activity (if more than one year then list each year). Use additional pages as necessary.

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Enter Your Name Here: _____

Part C: Extracurricular Activities – College and Vocational Students

Please list school activities including team and club memberships, offices held, etc. List community activities, community service, and any paid work experience. Include any awards, special projects, etc. List the year that you participated in the activity (if more than one year then list each year). **NOTE: College freshmen and vocational students must also complete Part B on the previous page for HS Junior and Senior year activities.** Use additional pages as necessary.

[illegible]

Enter Your Name Here: _____

Part D: Personal Essay

Please provide a brief essay one page typed, 12-point double spaced **Times Roman**. Choosing one of the following topics (**indicate the question choose by checking the box next to the question**):

CHECK BOX	ESSAY TOPIC CHOICES
	The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
	Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?
	Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.

**PERSONAL ESSAY SHOULD BE INCLUDED DIRECTLY
BEHIND THIS COVER PAGE**

Enter Your Name Here: _____

Part E: Letters of Recommendation

Each applicant must submit **two letters of recommendation dated within one year of the date of this application**. These recommendation letters may be from teachers, counselors, professors, employers, religious officials and/or mentors. **Letters from relatives will not be accepted.**

Please complete the chart below and include the letters directly behind this cover page.

The following letters are included with my application:

Recommendation Letter Written by	Relationship to Student

**BOTH RECOMMENDATION LETTERS SHOULD BE
INCLUDED DIRECTLY BEHIND THIS PAGE**

Enter Your Name Here: _____

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY 04/30/2026 AT 3:00 P.M.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

EMAIL, MAIL OR DELIVER THE APPLICATION TO :

JESSICA.WRIGHT@WSSCWATER.COM

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

ROBERT G. BERGER SCHOLARSHIP

ATTN: JESSICA WRIGHT, 5TH FLOOR

14501 SWEITZER LANE

LAUREL, MD 20707

**If you have any questions or concerns, please contact
Jessica Wright at Jessica.Wright@wsscwater.com**