



Instructions

- 1) Carefully read the information and instruction printed in this packet
- 2) Include all attachments as requested.
- 3) Securely attach all extra documents to the packet.
- 4) Clearly print or type your full name on the upper left corner of all pages, including attachments.
- 5) Do not send application in binders. Secure documents with paper clips.
- 6) Make sure all portions of the application are completed. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- 7) A physical signature under "Part VIII: Signature" is required.
- 8) Return this application postmarked no later than Monday, June 2nd, 2025 to:

**Prickly Pear Sportsmen's Association
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 5025
Helena, MT 59604**

The Prickly Pear Sportsmen's Association will award a scholarship of \$500 to two successful candidates.

Part 1: Applicant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number 1: () _____ Is this Home Cell Work

Telephone Number 2: () _____ Is this Home Cell Work

Name of Parent / Guardian with whom you reside: _____

Your current age: _____ Male or Female: _____

Part II: School Information

Applicant must currently be enrolled in an accredited or equivalent high school and must currently be a senior and will graduate in the spring of 2025.

Name of High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

School Counselor or Teacher who will act as a reference: _____

Telephone Number: () _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average (unweighted) _____

College or University you plan to attend in the Fall _____

Part III: Extracurricular, Volunteer and Shooting Sports Activities

Attach to this application a list of extracurricular, community and shooting sports activities and life time hobbies you are involved in. Please list your activities and future life time hobbies in chronological order. Include school and community clubs and/or associations, leadership positions held, awards received, etc. Also include the number of years you've been involved in the organization and your current and past roles.

Part IV: Essay

Attach to this application an **original** typed, double spaced, two to three page (no longer than three pages) essay describing how you and your family have benefited from the Second Amendment. Also, describe how you and your family have benefited from using the Prickly Pear out door range.

Part V: Personal Statement

Explain why you feel you are a good candidate to receive this scholarship. This statement should be between one paragraph and one page in length.

Part VI: Transcripts

Attach an official copy of most recent transcript. If you are home schooled, send notification of evaluation provided by the Board of Education, grades from an independent third-party source such as a licensed teacher, or grades from the students family.

Part VII: Recommendations

Please attach two letters of recommendation from any of the following: teacher, school administrator, clergy, employer, business owner, Scout or other youth group leader, community leader, politician, or outstanding member of the community. Do not use family members. Please ask them to read the attached recommendation form before writing the letter. Please keep recommendation letters with application.

Part VIII: Signature

All applicants MUST sign and date the following statement to be considered.

I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and the essay is an original work written by me. I understand that knowingly fabricating any information on this application may make me ineligible to receive this scholarship.

I understand that information provided on this application may be verified by the Prickly Pear Sportsmen’s Association and I authorize them to verify the information pertaining to me.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

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PRICKLY PEAR SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Recommendation Form

Student's Name _____ **Date:** _____

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for taking the time to complete a recommendation for this applicant. Letters of recommendation is an integral part of the scholarship application. Therefore, your most earnest and observational thoughts on the student's qualifications are of importance on this portion of the application.

We have asked that the prospective scholarship recipient give you ample time to write a letter thoroughly examining and highlighting the applicant's strengths and weaknesses. Our purpose for letters of recommendation is to display insight and perspective on the applicant's judgment, dependability, interpersonal skills, attitude, and initiative.

Please attach one letter of recommendation (1-2 pages) citing your understanding of the individual's qualifications for this scholarship. Specific examples of behavior and acts of ambition are extremely beneficial to the applicant. The contact information is listed below. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Thank you.
Annette Rinehart, Treasurer
Prickly Pear Sportsmen's Association
P O Box 5025
Helena, MT 59604
Phone: 406-431-0554
Email: rineaebresnan.net

Letter of Recommendation: Contact Information

Please fill out this section with your contact information if it is not already notated in your letter of recommendation.

Name: _____
Company: _____ **Title:** _____
Address: _____ **City:** _____
State: _____ **Zip Code:** _____ **Day time phone:** _____
Evening phone: _____ **Email** _____