



# POLK STATE COLLEGE

## PUBLIC SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Deadline: Friday, March 15, 2019

Public Service Scholarships are awarded to high school juniors to promote and represent Polk State College (“the College”) to his/her fellow students during his/her senior year of high school. In addition, the recipient must serve as an ambassador representing the College and assist in various recruitment activities and other events as designated by the Dean of Student Services of his/her campus.

The Public Service Scholarship is for the amount of course fees for a maximum of sixty (60) college credit hours at Polk State College. The award must be used within three (3) years for courses required to complete the recipient’s declared program of study at the College.

**Criteria:** Applicants must attend a regionally accredited Polk County public or private high school and have a cumulative, unweighted Grade Point Average of 2.75 or higher. Successful applicants must have also completed a minimum of fifty (50) hours of community service documented on his/her transcript or verified on letterhead from his/her high school.

**Continued Eligibility:** High school and college ambassadors must meet the 80-hour volunteer requirement each academic year by participating in recruitment activities, including but not limited to campus tours, open houses, and the College’s graduation ceremonies. Because of this, reliable transportation is required. After high school graduation (while attending Polk State College), recipients must maintain full-time enrollment each term at the College (i.e. at least twelve (12) credit hours during both the fall and spring terms). Recipients must also maintain “Good Academic Standing” as defined in the College’s Standards of Academic Progress.

**Required Information:** All of the following documents, in addition to this application, must be **mailed** as a complete packet to the address at the bottom of this form by the application deadline of Friday, March 15, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.: (must be postmarked by deadline)

- Official High School Transcript
- A Cover Letter, outlining your educational plans and career goals, including highlights of any awards, volunteer service projects, special achievements, and/or extra-curricular activities.
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation from people other than relatives (e.g. a teacher, school counselor, pastor, or employer).
- Documentation of completion of fifty (50) hours of community service (*if not noted on your Official High School Transcript*).

*Note: Any incomplete application packet which does not include all of the required information will not be considered.*

**NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS WILL BE MADE IN JUNE 2019.**

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Polk State College ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Numbers \_\_\_\_\_  
IF KNOWN HOME PHONE NUMBER CELL PHONE NUMBER

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ GPA as of 01/01/19 \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_  
CUMULATIVE, UNWEIGHTED

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

*Please Mail Completed Application Packets to:* **Stephanie Benton, Enrollment Services & Outreach Coordinator  
Polk State College – Winter Haven Campus,  
999 Avenue H N.E., Winter Haven, FL 33881**