



Hialeah Gardens High School 2011-2012 PTSA Academy Scholarship

Criteria / Requirements

The **minimum** eligibility requirements* are as follows:

Students Must / Must Be and/or Have:

1. A senior enrolled in one of the eight academies.
2. Completed two consecutive years at Hialeah Gardens High School.
3. A current resident of Florida.
4. A current paid member of HGHS PTA/PTSA by submission deadline of February 1st.
5. A high school un-weighted grade point average of 2.8 or higher (after the 2nd term update).
6. Officially complete and have submitted them on the school computer system a minimum of ten community service hours.
7. Submit application to HGHS PTSA, **no later than February 1st, 2012.**
8. No more than five unexcused absences, unexcused tardiness, early dismissals from school.
9. No suspensions (includes indoor, outdoor, and alternative to suspensions) in the last two (2) years.

Additional Documents Required

1. Two personal reference letters (one from a current teacher and one from an Academy-related source/ Academy teacher).
2. A typed essay (250 words minimum, double-spaced, 1 inch margin, Times New Roman, font size 12). Student ID must be printed as a header in the upper right corner. Do NOT put your name.

* Children of current year PTSA Executive Board Committee Members are not eligible to receive the PTSA scholarship.



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Application

Application Information: Each candidate must submit the completed application AND all required documentation in a large manila envelope. All documents must be submitted together in the same envelope. Completed applications must be turned in to Mrs. Abesada-Cabrera, CAP Advisor, by the deadline. Note: Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.

Award: Selected applicants will each receive \$250. One applicant will be chosen per Academy. Students may submit only one application.

Notification: The scholarship recipients will be notified Before June 1st and will be asked to attend the academic award ceremony.

Student Information

Student Identification No.: _____ Date of Birth: _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Address: _____
Street City Zip County

Telephone: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____ Are you a HGHS PTSA member? yes no

Academy: Arts & Entertainment Education Finance Information Technology
 Biomedical Sciences Engineering Hospitality & Tourism Law Studies

Activities:

Extracurricular activities:	
Athletics:	
Community:	
Other:	

For office use only: This section is to be completed by the student's counselor.

Grade Point Ave: <small>(GPA information must be current as of the 2nd nine week term)</small>	Cumulative GPA _____	Senior Status <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
	Un-weighted GPA _____	Enrolled at Hialeah Gardens for at least two years <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
Attendance:	Does not have more than 5 unexcused absences, unexcused tardiness and/or early dismissal	_____ (counselor initials)
Conduct:	Has no record of suspensions (includes indoor, outdoor, and alternative to suspensions)	_____ (counselor initials)
Community Service:	Student has at least 10 hours of community service logged.	_____ (counselor initials)
Valid Social Security	_____ (last 4 digits) _____ (counselor initials)	Valid Florida ID Card _____ (counselor initials)

Counselor Print Name Counselor Signature Date



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Required Essay

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Topic

The mascot for Hialeah Gardens High School is the Gladiator. The gladiator is a symbol of valor and courage. Gladiators who displayed continuous excellence were awarded a *rudis*, a wooden sword. The sword is also a symbol of loyalty, justice, and pursuit of honor. The crest of the school includes the following elements:

- The shield is a symbol of defense of honor.
- The column represents wisdom and achievement through education.
- The key represents unlocking the doorway to knowledge.
- The globe represents worldliness and preparedness for the future.

The colors represent the following qualities:

- Green – Growth & Harmony
- Black – Elegance & Depth
- Silver – Balance & Service

These are many of the qualities we want our students to exhibit throughout their lives – pursuit of knowledge, growth, depth, excellence, honor, and a global awareness, while leading their lives with a sense of harmony, balance, elegance, and service to others.

How have you embodied the spirit of the Gladiator during your years at Hialeah Gardens High School and how will you apply these qualities to your chosen career field and in your life?



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Personal Reference Letter

Current Teacher **Academy-Related Source / Academy Teacher**

To be completed by student

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Academy:

Arts & Entertainment

Finance

Biomedical Sciences

Hospitality & Tourism

Education

Information Technology

Engineering

Law Studies

To be completed by individual providing reference letter

The student named above has identified you as a personal reference for the Hialeah Gardens High School PTSA Academy Scholarship Award. Please provide a personal reference letter for the student. To preserve anonymity, please reference only the student's IDENTIFICATION NUMBER in your letter.



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 Law Studies

Your Name: _____

Your Title: _____

Company: _____

Telephone: _____

How long have you known the student and in what capacity? (Please do not identify student by name.) _____

Please attach this completed cover sheet to your letter. Thank you.