



Rosemarie Blades Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

Applicant must meet **ALL** of the following requirements in one of the three categories:

Military Affiliation

Category I: Graduating High School Seniors

Graduating high school seniors who are dependents of military personnel currently or previously assigned to Dahlgren as a permanent duty station. Military personnel are defined as members serving on Active Duty in any branch of the United States military.

This includes members of the National Guard or Reserve Corps on active duty orders. Personnel may be either enlisted or commissioned officers. Additionally, dependents of retired or deceased military personnel are eligible if the retired or deceased member was stationed at Dahlgren during Active Duty status.

Dependents of non-elected current DOSC members in good standing by October 31 are also eligible to apply.

Dependents of elected executive board members of DOSC may NOT apply until after two years of service has lapsed.

Category II: Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate students who are dependents of military personnel currently or previously assigned to Dahlgren as a permanent duty station. Military personnel are defined as members serving on Active Duty in any branch of the United States military.

This includes members of the National Guard or Reserve Corps on active duty orders. Personnel may be either enlisted or commissioned officers. Additionally, dependents of retired or deceased military personnel are eligible if the retired or deceased member was stationed at Dahlgren during Active Duty status.

Dependents of non-elected current DOSC members in good standing by October 31 are also eligible to apply.

Dependents of elected executive board members of DOSC may NOT apply until after two years of service has lapsed.



Category III: Civilian Spouses

Civilian spouses married to Active Duty military members at the time of application and maintaining active duty status throughout the academic year. Military personnel are defined as members serving on Active Duty in any branch of the United States military.

This includes members of the National Guard or Reserve Corps on active duty orders. Personnel may be either enlisted or commissioned officers.

ELECTED members of DOSC may NOT apply.

Show Proof of Dependency:

Applicant must provide government orders showing sponsor's permanent change in duty station to or from Dahlgren, VA, AND a Page 2 from DEERS. If the sponsor is deceased, the applicant must provide proof of military benefits based on the family relationship to deceased military member (Example DD Form 214 or 1300). Please remove (black out/white out) all social security numbers from orders, transcripts, etc. before submitting the application.

College Enrollment:

All applicants must be enrolled in an accredited school on a **full-time** basis in the **FALL** of the award year.

Confirmation of Submission:

If you haven't received a confirmation of submission receipt in 5 business days, please contact scholarshipdosc@gmail.com and CC secretarydosc@gmail.com



Application Procedure Checklist:

- _____ 1. Only completed applications in **one .pdf file** will be considered. There will be no allowances for late, incomplete, or multiple email applications and documents. Applications must be submitted via **EMAIL** by **March 15** of the award year by **8:00pm EST** to scholarshipdosc@gmail.com AND Carbon Copy (CC) secretarydosc@gmail.com
- _____ 2. Graduating High School Seniors must submit an unofficial high school transcript showing completed coursework and GPA. Undergraduate Students must submit an unofficial college transcript showing your completed coursework and GPA. Spouses without college credit must submit an unofficial high school transcript showing completed coursework and GPA. Spouses with college credit must submit an unofficial college transcript showing coursework and GPA.
- _____ 3. Copy of your ACT or SAT scores (not required for spouse applications)
- _____ 4. List all academic honors, awards, or special recognition that you have received.
- _____ 5. List all school activities in which you have been involved. Include honors received and positions of leadership that you've held.
- _____ 6. List all community activities, church activities, etc., in which you have been involved. Include honors received and positions of leadership.
- _____ 7. List all work experience; include both paid and volunteer positions.
- _____ 8. Submit two letters of recommendation from a teacher, employer, coach, counselor, or other non-related adult who knows you well. (Names will be blacked out before the letters are presented to the judges).
- _____ 9. List colleges and universities that you have applied to or plan to apply to. Include a short paragraph about your intended field of study and your academic and professional objectives.
- _____ 10. Submit a 1-page essay (not to exceed 550 words) on the award year's question to be chosen by the Scholarship Chair and approved by the Executive Board. The essay topic is *"What is one thing that would have never happened in your life if you hadn't been a military kid/spouse, and how did it change your life?"*
- _____ 11. Submit government orders showing sponsor's permanent change in duty station to or from Dahlgren, VA, AND a Page 2 from DEERS. If the sponsor is deceased, the applicant must provide proof of military benefits based on the family relationship to deceased military member (Example DD Form 214 or 1300). Please remove (black out/white out) all social security numbers from orders, transcripts, etc. before submitting the application.
- _____ 12. Before submitting application, please remove (black out/white out) all social security numbers/PII from orders, transcripts, etc.



Criteria for Selection:

The following will be given consideration as the basis for choosing scholarship recipients:

Scholastic achievement, including GPA, SAT/ACT scores, academic honors or awards, school and community activities including honors or leadership, work experience, letters of recommendation, and the application essay. There is no discrimination regarding race, religion, sex, national origin, or disability. **Financial need is NOT a criterion considered for this scholarship.**

Membership in DOSC is not a prerequisite for parents/spouses of applicants, nor is the applicant whose parents/spouses are members of DOSC given preferential consideration. An applicant may receive a DOSC scholarship only once.

All applicants need to be high school seniors or students working towards their initial Associate's or Bachelor's degree, in **Full-Time** status, at an accredited school.

A blind-selection process is used. Each application is assigned a number as they are received. The names of the applicants are covered before applications are given to the Selection Committee. No one knows who the applicants are until the judges give their final scores and the names are applied to the numbers.

Award and Disbursement of Funds:

The amount awarded for scholarships each year will depend on funds raised by DOSC and determined by the members of DOSC. The Scholarship Committee will make recommendations based on applications received. All applications and supporting documents become property of DOSC and will not be returned.

All applicants will be notified by e-mail of the results by **April 15th**, and winners will also be contacted by phone.

Upon verification of enrollment received by the DOSC Scholarship Committee, a check for the amount of the scholarship will be mailed to the school. The school may require the scholarship recipient to co-sign the check. Checks will be mailed at the end of July to your school.

Reminder:

Please submit your entire scholarship application via **one .pdf file** to
scholarshipdosc@gmail.com **AND**
CC: secretarydosc@gmail.com



Dahlgren Officers' Spouses' Club

Rosemarie Blades Honorary Scholarship Application Cover Page

Application Type (check one):

- Category I: High School Senior
 Category II: Undergraduate Student
 Category III: Spouse Undergraduate Student

Personal Information (This page will not be seen by the judges):

Date: ___/___/___ (all applications due in **one .pdf file** by **March 15th** to scholarshipdosc@gmail.com AND CC secretarydosc@gmail.com by 8:00pm EST)

Name: _____,
(Last/First/Middle Initial)

Home Address:

Date of Birth: Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____

Parents/Guardians or Spouse: _____

Name and Rank/Rate of Sponsor: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Sponsor's Status (check one): _____ Active Duty _____ Retired _____ Deceased

Applicant's Signature: _____