

Draper Hills Scholarship Fund

Application Scoring Guidelines

For each question, please use a scale where 1 is the lowest value.

_____ ACADEMICS (1-10)

Does student's GPA meet or exceed expectations? Consider the challenge of courses taken such as Advanced Placement which may affect GPA. Other considerations: Has the student experienced health issues or family-related issues that may have adversely affected GPA? If grades were an issue, is there a trend toward improvement?

_____ ACTIVITIES AND EMPLOYMENT (1-10)

Review student's extracurricular activities, community service, and employment. Do service opportunities and employment demonstrate a commitment to an area of interest or that the student is well-rounded? Do the activities indicate an ability to prioritize multiple demands of school, family, and work? (You may also wish to consider information provided by the student regarding challenges they are facing. Example: Student who must work to help his/her family may not have as much extracurricular activity or community service as someone who does not face that challenge).

_____ FINANCIAL PLAN (1-10)

Does this student have a clear need for financial assistance in meeting his/her education goals? Has the student carefully considered multiple strategies for financing his/her education? Are they clearly expressed?

_____ LETTERS OF RECOMENDATION (1-10)

Did the letter(s) come from someone who is familiar with the student and their work? Are there detailed examples of the students promise from personal experience?

_____ CAREER CHOICE (1-20)

Do student's skills, abilities, and interests seem to match his/her anticipated career choice?

_____ ESSAY (1-40)

Questions to consider when reviewing students essay may include:

- Has the student maximized their talents in their high school years?
- Has the student demonstrated a strong interest in their anticipated career choice?
- Do errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar detract from the readability and authority of the essay?
- Does the student seem to have put effort into writing this essay?
- Did the applicant address the essay topic?
- Do you get the impression the student is passionate or committed to what they are writing about?

0 TOTAL SCORE OUT OF 100 POSSIBLE POINTS