



The Denver Police Protective Association



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2021 DPPA Scholarship Instructions/Application

To qualify for a scholarship, a student must:

- Be a son, daughter, stepson, stepdaughter, niece, nephew, or grandchild, of an active PPA member in good standing with the PPA.
- Be a graduating senior who will be entering college or any institution of higher education for the first time in the Fall of 2021, or a returning college student.
- Be an active officer of the Denver Police Department and PPA member in good standing enrolled in college classes or any institution of higher education on the way to obtaining or finishing a degree.
- Are not in any way related to any member of the PPA Scholarship Committee
- Submit a written essay of 1-2 pages on a topic selected by the PPA Scholarship Committee
- Submit a completed and signed PPA Scholarship Application
- Submit a signed Scholarship Commitment Letter
- Submit proof of acceptance to college or an institution of higher education, or proof of enrollment.
- Have the application, commitment letter, proof of enrollment, and essay delivered to the PPA offices by 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 1, 2021. If submitted via US Mail, it must be received by PPA offices by June 1, 2021. No facsimiles or electronic submissions are accepted.
- Submit all documents in a letter-sized, sealed manila envelope, marked "Scholarship Committee."

Essay instructions:

- Please submit, in your own words, a double-spaced essay, 1-2 pages in length. Your paper should be typed in 12 pt. Times New Roman font, with a one-inch margin. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR ESSAY and DO NOT PUT ANY NAMES IN YOUR ESSAY IDENTIFYING YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY MEMBER OR ANY MEMBER OF THE DENVER POLICE DEPARTMENT.**
- While sourcing is not required, please limit the 2021 essay's research citations to books or authority, statistics, dictionary, or encyclopedia references, quotes, or the like – *as they will not be counted towards your page count.*

- Applicants whose submissions are late or do not comply with all the listed criteria will be disqualified. There will be no resubmissions.

2021 Essay Topic

This is a two-part essay. Be careful you include both questions.

***How has media, both mainstream and social,
contributed to the social justice movement?***

What do you see as the role of the police department in the future?

Application judging is always done anonymously.

All scholarships are awarded on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis.

The Scholarship Committee does not know who has entered the process nor is privy to the name of any applicant, his/her relationship to the active officer or anything that may identify his/her race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex, gender, age, or the like.

Each applicant is assigned a “number” by someone outside of the Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship Committee is provided the essay with an assigned “number.” Only upon completion and placement rank of each essay, is the “number” matched to the applicant and the Committee and applicant are notified of an award.