



2023-24 WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women and girls in the transportation field by encouraging bright new professionals and students to undertake careers in the area of transportation. One way it does this is by awarding the WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship to girls pursuing high school studies in science, technology, engineering, and math.

Transportation YOU is a hands-on, interactive, mentoring program that offers young girls ages 13-18 an introduction to a wide variety of transportation careers. Through the Transportation YOU program and this scholarship, WTS chapters work to make a difference in the lives of young girls by offering opportunities and activities that will spark their interest in all modes of transportation and encourage them to take courses in math, science, and technology, which are the stepping stones to exciting careers that can change the face of the transportation industry.

The WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship is **\$2,500**. The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. Applicant must be a high school senior
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- c. Currently studying math, science, and technology
- d. Considering a college degree in a transportation-related field

Applications must be submitted through local WTS chapters as typed documents. Scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record, and transportation-related activities or job skills. National awards will be presented during the WTS Annual Conference in May 2024, and attendance during the awards ceremony is strongly recommended. Conference registration for scholarship winners is complimentary. Local chapters will assist with arrangements upon selection and may have additional requirements, such as personal interviews or higher GPA. Please contact your local WTS chapter at the address listed on the application for specifics.

**2023-24 WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship
Application**

I. Personal Information

Name _____
Last First Middle

E-mail address _____

Primary Phone (____) _____

Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

II. Educational Background

Current High School _____

City, State _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____

Area of Concentration _____

Grade Point Average _____

(Minimum GPA of 3.0 required. Attach official copy of report card to application.)

Professional or School Affiliations (List any school, professional or community activities you have participated in. Include offices held and awards received. Attach additional sheets, if necessary, as typed word documents or in PDF format.)

III. Recommendation: Letter of recommendation by a teacher, counselor, or principal must accompany your application.

IV. Personal Statement: A statement about your goals to pursue studies in STEM areas (science, technology, engineering, or math) while in college and why you think that you should receive the scholarship award. Statement should not exceed 500 words. Please attach as a word document or PDF to application form.

V. Demographic Information: WTS is committed to recognizing the achievements of students pursuing transportation related degrees. To track our progress in reaching diverse applicants, we ask that you complete this confidential demographic information. **This is not required for scholarship awards and will not be used in the selection process.**

1 Race/Ethnicity (select all that apply)

- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black
- ☐ East Indian
- ☐ Hispanic/Latino
- ☐ Indigenous
- ☐ Middle Eastern
- ☐ Multiracial
- ☐ Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other (please write in)
- ☐ Choose not to disclose

2 Age

- ☐ 15-18
- ☐ 19-23
- ☐ 24-30
- ☐ 31-50
- ☐ 50+

3 Anticipated or Current Mode of Transportation Career Focus (select all that apply)

- ☐ Aviation
- ☐ Freight
- ☐ Highway/Auto
- ☐ Maritime/Port
- ☐ Multi-modal
- ☐ Non-Motorized
- ☐ Passenger
- ☐ Transit
- ☐ Other (please write in) _____

4 How did you hear about this scholarship?

- ☐ Friend
- ☐ School/Teacher
- ☐ Social Media:
 - ☐ Facebook
 - ☐ Instagram
 - ☐ LinkedIn
 - ☐ Snapchat
 - ☐ TikTok
 - ☐ Twitter
 - ☐ YouTube
 - ☐ Other (please write in)
- ☐ WTS Chapter
- ☐ WTS International Website
- ☐ Other (please write in) _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian
Signature _____ Date _____

Affirmation of Eligibility and Acceptance - If awarded a scholarship from WTS International or the local chapter, I will be able to accept the funds without conflict with student status or other scholarship obligations.

Applications for all WTS scholarships (national or local) **must be submitted via email to the WTS Charlotte Metro Chapter Scholarship Chair by November 17, 2023.**

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