



# SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CHEAT SHEET

## **START WITH A HOOK**

Draw in the reader with strong and memorable words from the very first sentence.

## **TELL A TRUE STORY**

Share personal details and write in the form of a story. Endear yourself to the reader.

## **FULLY ANSWER THE QUESTION**

Is the prompt a one or two part question?  
Address all portions and give complete answers.

## **HEED WORD COUNT**

Do not exceed the specified word count. Use all available space to impress the judges.

## **PROOFREAD AND SHARE**

Carefully read over the essay, then find two pairs of trusted eyes to proofread and critique.