



**LEWIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**\$750 STEPHEN MICHAEL GALLAGHER
CRIMINAL JUSTICE CAREER
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

TO: Applying Student residing in Lewis County

RE: \$750 LCSOA Criminal Justice Career Academic Scholarship for 2026/2027 School Year

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants must qualify in one of the following two areas:

- High school senior residing in Lewis County.
- Full-time student enrolled in a baccalaureate program, associate degree program, or vocational/technical certification program.

The scholarship recipient must be enrolled in a baccalaureate program, associate degree program, or vocational/technical certification program at the time of issuance of the scholarship award. After verification of enrollment, a check will be forwarded to the recipient's school of choice.

REQUIREMENTS:

To be considered, you must submit the following:

- Completed scholarship application.
- Personal essay (limit 500 words) pertaining to your criminal justice career choice and goals.
- Transcript of your high school and/or college grades.
- SAT or ACT scores- not required but will increase your score.
- One signed letter of recommendation.
- List of honors/awards, community service, organizations involved, extra-curricular activities and work history.
- Plan to enroll or actually be enrolled full-time as a college student, 12 credits per quarter or equivalent for semester.
- Must not be a previous recipient of any LCSOA Scholarship Awards.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Applications must be postmarked no later than **April 15, 2026**. Mail completed application to:

**LCSOA
PO Box 462
Chehalis, WA 98532**

Applications will be rated on their GPA and SAT/ACT scores; essay (judged on description of career goals, along with grammar, spelling and punctuation); and extra-curricular activities (including academic prizes, awards, hobbies, community involvement, and work history).

- GPA & SAT/ACT Scores – Points Possible 34
- Essay Criminal Justice career goals– Points Possible 33
- Extra-Curricular Activities (Community Service, Honors/Awards, Work History, Organizations Involved, Etc.) – Points Possible 33

The scholarship recipient will be notified by mail prior to **May 5, 2026**. Recipient must provide proof of enrollment to the LCSOA prior to a check being forwarded to the recipient's school of choice.

Good luck!



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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Check your current academic status:

- High School Senior
- Full-Time College Student
- Part-Time College Student
- Full-Time Vocation/Technical Program
- Other: (List) _____

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Name of education institution enrolled or planning to enroll in:

Major/Degree: _____

LIST THREE PERSONAL REFERENCES:

1) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

2) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

3) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

LIST OTHER FINANCIAL AID RECEIVING (IF ANY):

HONORS/AWARDS, COMMUNITY SERVICE, ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED, EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & WORK HISTORY:

List on a separate sheet of paper all honors and awards received, community service activities and organizations you are involved in, along with your extra-curricular activities and work history.

PERSONAL ESSAY:

To complete your scholarship application, please write a brief essay (limit 500 words) about yourself, including your future educational plans, career goals, and how you plan to achieve these goals. Include any information you think will help the scholarship committee reach a decision.

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the information in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I authorize the release of my education records for scholarship purposes, and the release of my name for LCSOA media recognition.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____