



2025-2026 VIRGINIA RAINBOW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Dear Virginia Rainbow,

Enclosed is the application for the Virginia Rainbow Scholarship for the 2025-2026 Academic Year, which includes a general information sheet and an essay question to be answered by the applicant. The Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Committee will be awarding the following scholarships this year:

- Virginia Rainbow Scholarship dedicated to the Order of the Eastern Star Virginia Grand Chapter (\$1,000)
- Past Supreme Worthy Advisor Scholarship dedicated to Susan Rennagel (\$750)
- Past Supreme Inspector of Virginia Scholarship dedicated to Linda Jenkins (\$500)
- Supreme Deputy of Virginia Scholarship dedicated to Joseph Grist (\$500)
- A limited number of General Scholarships (\$200)

The applicant must be a member in good standing of a Virginia Rainbow Assembly and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Applicants over 20 years of age must have a requested and approved membership extension from the Supreme Deputy in Virginia, Joseph Grist for consideration.

A complete scholarship application shall include all the following:

- Completed Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Application
- Official (or copies of) academic transcript(s) of grades for the most recent academic semesters

****PLEASE NOTE: No additional documents, except those listed above as part of the scholarship application, shall be considered during the application review process.***

The completed application form and all required documents must be mailed to the committee chairperson (mailing address provided below) and postmarked no later than April 1, 2025. Emailed forms and documents will be accepted, but paper copies shall be made available to the committee upon request. All forms and documents submitted become the property of the Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Committee and will not be returned. All personal information will be held in strict confidence by the committee. It is your responsibility to make sure that ALL documents and forms are completed, submitted, and received for consideration by the application due date.

Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Recipients for the 2025-2026 Academic Year will be announced at the 2025 Virginia Rainbow Grand Assembly. If there are any questions, please email the Scholarship Chairperson at VARainbowScholarship@gmail.com

Thank you for your interest in the Virginia Rainbow Scholarship.

The Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Committee 2024-2025

Kelly Grist, Chairperson

Tammy Bristow-Gray

Dr. Joanne Balint

Nancy Martin, Chair Emeritus

Ange Malmquist

Anne Marie Winslow

Bobbie Almassy

Sherry Whidden

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Name:

Date of Birth:

Mailing Address:

Home/Cell Phone:

Name of Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):

Home/Cell Phone:

School Last Attended:

School/College/University you plan to attend or are attending:

Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Applicants are required to sign the application form to be considered complete.

_____ **APPLICANT SIGNATURE DATE**

****Please rename file when you save it by placing applicants last name at the end, such as: Virginia Rainbow Scholarship Application Form 2025_Doe***

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1. Reflecting on our current Grand Theme of “Leading Ladies Lighting the Way”, how have you been a leading lady during the last year in your own life? (500 word maximum)

2. If you were offered the opportunity to design a float for the annual Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena, California, describe what you would want to display and design, based on the current Grand Theme of "Leading Ladies Lighting the Way". (500 word maximum)