



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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DAR GOOD CITIZENS PROGRAM OVERVIEW



The DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools in good standing with their state boards of education or a recognized accrediting organization such that a General Educational Development (GED) test is not required to receive a high school diploma. United States citizenship is not required. The student selected as the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of:

- Dependability:** truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality and being worthy of trust
- Service:** cooperation, courtesy, and contributing to the welfare of others
- Leadership:** personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility, ability to inspire others, and a decision-maker
- Patriotism:** devotion to and support of one's country, supporting service members and veterans, working for causes that make one's community stronger, and appreciating the cultural and historic importance of America's unique population

Each school may, however, use a method of its own choice. **Only one student per year may be honored as a school's DAR Good Citizen.** Each school's DAR Good Citizen receives a DAR Good Citizen pin, certificate and wallet recognition card. This student is eligible, if he/she wishes, to enter the DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest. (If not included, the contest forms and instructions may be obtained from the contact person listed below.) The DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest consists of two parts.

Part I consists of the student describing how they have manifested the qualities of a good citizen. This part may be completed at home and is to be submitted together with a **grade transcript** and **two letters of recommendation**.

Part II is a timed essay to be administered under the supervision of a faculty or DAR member. It must be completed at one sitting, within a two-hour time limit, and without assistance, using only a dictionary. Each contest entry is evaluated by independent, non-DAR judges. The winning entry is advanced through state, divisional and national levels of judging.

DAR Good Citizens who enter the scholarship contest are eligible for the awards beyond the chapter level. Each state winner receives an award in the amount of at least \$500 and a special state DAR Good Citizens pin and certificate. Each of the eight division (multi-state groups) winners will receive a cash award in the amount of \$1,000. A national winner will be invited to Washington, DC to attend Continental Congress and will be awarded **\$1,000 scholarships**, an inscribed silver bowl and a certificate.

DAR CONTACT

- The opportunity to participate in the DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is extended and sponsored by Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.
- For further information, please contact the DAR Chapter Good Citizens committee chair Jennifer Cart

Phone 904-477-1229 E-mail gatorcart@gmail.com

or the DAR Chapter Regent Maria Jefferson

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Completed DAR Good Citizen entry due to the local DAR chapter by November 1, 2023

Submit ALL DAR Good Citizen award / scholarship contest entry papers ONLY to the DAR chapter Good Citizens Committee chair. Please retain copies of all pages of the entry before submitting to the local DAR chapter contact person.



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STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

This cover sheet must be forwarded to the local sponsoring DAR chapter for your school's DAR Good Citizen winner.

Please TYPE or PRINT all information and be sure to complete all blanks.

RETURN FORM AND COMPLETED MATERIALS TO:

Sponsoring DAR chapter/chapter code	<u>Maria Jefferson</u>	Deadline	<u>11/1/2023</u>
Contact person	<u>Jennifer Cart</u>	Phone	<u>904-477-1229</u>
Address	<u>828 Riley Lane, St. Augustine, FL 32095</u>		
E-mail	<u>gatorcart@gmail.com</u>		

STUDENT INFORMATION:

First / Middle / Last Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Parents or guardians (First / Middle / Last Name) _____

Parent e-mail _____ Parent phone _____

Signature of student _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

School Name _____

Faculty e-mail _____

Address _____

School or faculty contact _____ Phone _____

Are you competing in the scholarship contest? YES NO

THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

I, _____, have known _____ for

(Print your name)

(Print student's name)

_____ in my capacity as _____

(Length of time)

(Relationship to student)

and that to my personal knowledge he/she has demonstrated the qualities of a Good Citizen as set forth in your criteria and, in my opinion, is most deserving of recognition by your organization. If our DAR Good Citizen competed in the scholarship portion of the contest, I have reviewed the information the student is submitting to you and have found it to be accurate and entirely consistent with our records.

Signature _____

Title _____

E-mail Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____



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DAR SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE — Barbara L. Grant, National Chair

E-mail: scholarships@nsdar.org

DAR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is pleased to offer over 26 different scholarships for graduating high school seniors, and college, graduate and medical students through our online application portal for the upcoming academic year.

The direct URL link for the online submission portal is: <https://dar.academicworks.com/>

Scholarship applications are accepted: November 1 through January 31 each year at 11:59 p.m. (Hawaii Time)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please review the following information and use the application checklist listed below to organize and prepare your online scholarship application.

- For ease of submission, please do not use the Internet Explorer browser as it may not be compatible with the online application system on all computers. The following browsers are recommended: Google Chrome, Apple Safari, Microsoft Edge, or Mozilla Firefox
- Enter and upload all your required information and documents using the online application portal (eg. personal statements, transcripts, activities, proof of citizenship). No emailed information will be accepted. All information must be submitted by the deadline. No exceptions will be made or granted.
- It is highly recommended that you begin your application at least two weeks prior to the January 31 deadline to assure the online receipt of recommendations from individuals providing references on your behalf.
- After setting up your online scholarship application, you will enter the email addresses of two, but no more than four references. Individuals providing recommendations will submit their confidential information directly into your application using an invitation they will receive from the online system. They will enter their reference directly into the online form connected to your application. No uploaded or emailed letters of recommendation will be accepted.
- Submission of your photograph on any uploaded document will result in your application being disqualified. This includes a photograph appearing on your transcript, passport, naturalization papers, tribal card or resume.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Please direct any specific scholarship-related questions to the National Vice Chair listed with each scholarship on the DAR website at: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships>
- Check the listing of scholarships on the DAR website for special requirements for specific scholarships such as letters of acceptance into special programs like nursing or medicine.
- Scholarships are judged and awarded without regard to gender, race, color, religion, national origin or disability.
- If you are selected as a scholarship recipient, you will be contacted to provide a sealed official transcript which will be sent to the DAR headquarters.
- Additional information about all of DAR's scholarships and a link to the on-line application process can also be found on the DAR website at: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships>

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please be prepared to provide the following information for your DAR Scholarship application:

- All information submitted or uploaded into your application has been typed or computer generated. Submission of handwritten documents will result in your application being disqualified.
- An essay of 1,000 words or less setting forth your career objectives. If applicable, your essay should relate to the specific area of study described in the scholarship.
- If you are a graduating high school student, include a copy of your high school transcript. Home-schooled students must include transcripts for grade nine through current year. An official transcript is not needed at the time of application. Your name must appear on your transcript. Please note, DAR no longer requires the submission of class rank or size, or test scores such as SAT and ACT.
- If you are a college undergraduate, graduate or medical student, include a copy of your college transcript(s). Major must be indicated on your transcript if a specific major is required. An official transcript is not needed at the time of application. Please note, your name must appear on your transcript.
- At least two, but not more than four recommendations must be requested and received by the deadline. Recommendations should convey your ability, work habits, integrity, character, potential, and volunteer activities. Individuals providing recommendations may include teachers, counselors, instructors, employers, ministers, or personal or professional references (please, no family members). Individuals providing recommendations will use the online platform to complete a four question form on your behalf. Letters of recommendation cannot be uploaded into your application.
- A one-page resume must be included. It should provide a listing your extra-curricular activities, honors received, scholastic achievements, volunteer service, and if applicable your work experience. Your name must appear on your resume.
- A copy of your proof of United States citizenship: birth certificate, naturalization papers, or information page of United States Passport must be included. If using a passport as proof of citizenship, cover your photograph. Submitting an expired passport or picture of yourself will result in your application being disqualified.
- If applicable, you must provide information required by specific scholarships such as a letter of your acceptance into special program or transcript stating you are in a special program like nursing or medicine, a piece of performance music, or a tribal card. Refer to information included on the DAR website at: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships>