

De Soto Chamber of Commerce

General Scholarship Application

January 2025

Dear High School Senior:

The De Soto Chamber of Commerce will once again be offering academic scholarships for deserving high school seniors who will be attending a college or university in the fall. These scholarships are made possible due to the generosity of the small businesses here in the town of De Soto. An application is attached for you to complete for consideration of this scholarship. The **deadline** for the application is Tuesday, **April 1, 2025** and should be submitted to:

De Soto Chamber of Commerce
C/O Scholarship Application
24 Jefferson Square
De Soto, MO 63020

Some important information regarding the Chamber Scholarship includes the following:

- Applicants must be high school seniors graduating in 2025.
- Applicants are eligible if they **reside in the De Soto 73 School District and attend De Soto High School, or reside in the De Soto Zip Code of 63020** but attend another high school.
- Scholarships will range from **\$250, \$500, or \$1,000**
- All scholarship monies will be disbursed directly to the college or university after verification of **full-time** enrollment status has been received. For most colleges and universities, a full-time student is defined as being enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours. If you are to be awarded the scholarship, **your verification must be submitted to the Chamber Office no later than September 1st, 2025 or the scholarship will be forfeited.**
- The **deadline** for application and related information is to be received **at the Chamber Office no later than April 1, 2025.**
- **All applications, essays, ACT/SAT scores, and high school transcripts** should be submitted directly to the De Soto Chamber of Commerce at the above address.

Everyone affiliated with the De Soto Chamber of Commerce is pleased to be able to offer financial assistance to local students. We wish success to all applicants.

Respectfully,

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(Please **DO NOT** place student's name on this page)

Name of High School _____ School Telephone Number () _____

SAT or ACT Results _____ High School Grade Point Average _____

Please list all School Clubs, Activities, & Organizations Student is active in: _____

Please list all Community Activities/Volunteerism, especially those associated with the Chamber such as the Fall Festival, Home Show, and Christmas tree lighting _____

Type of Degree Seeking _____

College/University Student Plans to Attend (In Order of Preference):

Please attach additional pages if more space is needed for any entry.
Mail completed application and essay to:

De Soto Chamber of Commerce
47 Jefferson Square
DeSoto MO 63020

Application & 500 Word Essay Required to be Eligible: **NO NAMES ON ESSAYS PLEASE**
500 Word Essay: **How will you use your college education to impact De Soto, Missouri in a positive way?**
Application & Essay must be received by April 1, 2025 at Chamber of Commerce office.

Selection of the recipient is based on the following:

5% ACT/SAT Score 5% High School GPA 40% School & Community involvement 50% Essay

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Personal Information

(Will **NOT** be viewed by the judges)

Students Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Number: _____

Email Address _____

I certify that the above information provided on this scholarship application is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete.

Students Signature: _____ Date: _____

Counselor's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature (if student is under age 18)

_____ Date: _____

- Once awarded the scholarship, in order to be eligible to receive the monies, the student must be enrolled in college as a full time student as defined by the college or university for which he/she is attending.