

2023-2024 High School Community Service Scholarship Directions

**For graduating senior young women at
Miramonte, Campolindo, and Acalanes High Schools**

AAUW-OML supports outstanding young women in the community by awarding scholarships to one senior in each of our three local high schools. These awards validate the accomplishments of exceptional young women who demonstrate a passion for community service and academic excellence.

The \$2,000 Scholarship is based on a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, a completed application, consideration of reference letters, and an interview with members of the scholarship committee. Scholarship checks are issued to the recipient when proof of acceptance to a college or university is provided to the AAUW/OML Branch.

All recipients will be honored at the Orinda-Moraga-Lafayette Branch Awards Celebration on Sunday, **April 21, 2024**. Scholarship recipients will be expected to attend and give a brief talk about their community service experience and future goals.

We recognize that during these Covid years a student's community service activities may have changed or been discontinued due to the virus. We want to acknowledge a student's high school years of community service. We also are interested to learn if and how a student modified or transformed her community service during this time. We will be looking at a student's creativity, and we will be flexible as we evaluate the applications.

Application Process

**Deadline for Completed Application: Wednesday, February 14, 2024,
not later than the close of the school day.**

Please allow time to contact your references and to deliver your packet to your College and Career Center.

Complete this application in two parts:

Part 1

- Obtain a copy of your transcript from the school. Scan it, if necessary, and use the link on the application form (next step) to upload that PDF or scanned transcript. The size of that file may not exceed 2MB.
- Complete our application online and submit it online.
Note: you will need to start and finish typing the online application in one session, so consider typing it in another document and "cut and paste" to create your submittal.
- After you submit the completed application, you will receive an email confirming that it was received.

Part 2

- Contact two references and request letters of recommendation – one school representative who knows your work at school and one community service representative who has experience working with you or supervising you during your service or project.
- Put these **sealed** letters of recommendation in a larger envelope, addressed to:

Mary Ann McLeod
AAUW Scholarship Committee

and deliver that envelope to your counselor at the College and Career Center.

These packets are due not later than Wednesday, February 14, 2024, by the end of the school day. Applications delivered after this date will not be considered.

Finalists chosen from the accepted applications will be scheduled for an interview through the school counseling office.

We look forward to hearing from you.