



Kiwanis Club of Suwanee, Ga Don Lee Memorial Scholarship Application Packet

Eligibility:

The Kiwanis Club of Suwanee will award scholarship funds to seniors at any of our sponsored Key Clubs schools which include Collins Hill High School, Peachtree Ridge High School, Sugar Hill Christian School, Seckinger High School, and North Gwinnett High School. Seniors from other Georgia high schools may also be considered. The seniors must be enrolled at an accredited college, university, or trade school.

The following minimum criteria must be met:

- Student must be a US Citizen or a permanent resident
- Student must be anticipated to graduate from a Georgia high school
- If awarded a scholarship, students must be enrolled full-time. Proof of a student's enrollment at a post-secondary institution is required to receive award funds.
- 3.0 cumulative GPA, demonstrating academic ability and motivation to succeed at the collegiate level is required.

Preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate strong educational motivation and group leadership skills through their activities in school, church, youth groups, community volunteer effort and/or work experience.

Financial need, work experience, and letters of recommendation are additional criteria in the selection process.



Scholarship Rules:

The Scholarship checks will be mailed directly to the institution financial aid offices within 30 days of receipt of proof of student's full-time enrollment at the school. When the institution requires the student to pay fees first before they certify registration, the school will be authorized to reimburse the student.

If a recipient is unable to begin school in the fall and plans to enter school in a future semester, the recipient **must** notify the Kiwanis Club of Suwanee Giving Committee in writing by August 31, 2026 for an extension. An extension will be granted only in the event of extenuating circumstances and at the approval of the giving committee. The scholarship will be forfeited if an extension is not requested by August 31, 2026.

The Kiwanis Club of Suwanee does not and shall not discriminate based on race, color, religion, gender, gender expression, age, national origin, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status in any of its activities or operations.

Standard no self-dealing rules will apply. These rules prohibit the trustees themselves, certain family members, managers, and other "disqualified persons" from benefiting from the philanthropic activities of the foundation.

Please circle one of the following:

I am a Key Club Member

I am not a Key Club Member



Application Instructions:

Please read all instructions carefully and submit a complete application.

Application form

Please answer questions as completely as you can. Remember that your completed application will represent you to the Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship Committee may choose to interview finalists. Mail or email your completed application form, high school transcript, student personal statement, letters of recommendation and financial need forms (do not submit separately) to:

Kiwanis Club of Suwanee, Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 1202

Suwanee, Ga 30024

-or-

kiwanissuwanee@gmail.com

Applications Open: March 22, 2026

Application Deadline: April 25, 2026

Recipients Notified: May 6, 2026

Letters of Recommendation

Choose two (2) people to write letters of recommendation for you. It is strongly recommended that one letter be from a community leader such as coach, clergy, or civic leader who knows you through work or volunteer activities. Please enclose the letter with this application.

Transcripts of Grades

Your application must include high school transcripts and SAT scores. If you have taken any college courses, include a transcript of your work thus far.

Student Personal Statement

Write a statement explaining the reasons you are applying for a scholarship, your future, and your short- and long-term goals. Include additional information about your community involvement and how that has shaped you and/or something that community involvement has taught you. Also include any other information about yourself, your family and background, your educational achievement, etc. which will help the Scholarship Committee to evaluate your potential. **Key Club Members-** Include specific information on all Key Club activities. **Please state whether you are presently a Key Club Member.**

Financial Need

As this is part of the criteria, we use it in the selection process; it may be a factor in the final selection. You must fill out the financial need section of the application.



What is Kiwanis?

Kiwanis is a worldwide service organization of men and women dedicated to improving the quality of life for mankind in their communities. Together, these men and women achieve what individuals cannot do alone. Voluntarily, Kiwanis share the challenge of responsibility for humanitarian and civic projects that our government agencies are financially unable to perform. These projects are predominantly local in nature. The common desire to successfully serve their communities is the motivating goal of Kiwanis.

The scholarship has been renamed in memory of one of our long-time members, Don Lee, who always dedicated himself to go above and beyond to help the children of our area.

Some Specifics:

- Kiwanis is a service organization - not a social club – although enduring friendships are created through the Kiwanis spirit of fellowship that comes from mutual effort devoted to useful ends.
- Kiwanis is often a public forum – but never a political circle. Meeting programs frequently provide platforms for the balanced and impartial presentation of public issues of interest to the members and the community.
- Kiwanis makes its activities known. It is not a secret society. There are no private rituals. Public awareness of Kiwanis is sought because it increases support for Kiwanis service.
- Kiwanis fosters principles of good citizenship and human values. It does not prescribe a way of life for others.



Don Lee Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Instructions:

- Please answer all questions carefully.
- Please answer questions completely.
- Use pen and PRINT your answers or use this fillable form.
- Remember that your completed application will represent you to the Scholarship Committee.

Personal Information:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Y N

If not, are you a permanent resident? Y N

Mail your completed application, transcript, student personal statement, letters of recommendation, and financial aid forms to Kiwanis Club of Suwanee, Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1202, Suwanee, Ga 30024 **or email** to kiwanissuwanee@gmail.com. Do not submit separately.

- Applications must be received by **April 25, 2026**.
- Selections made by **May 6, 2026**. You will be notified by email.
- We ask that you strongly try to attend our club meeting for Giving Day in July 2026 to be recognized.



Educational Information:

Current High School: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

GPA through the first semester of Senior Year: _____

Colleges Applied to:

_____ **Accepted?** Y N

_____ **Accepted?** Y N

_____ **Accepted?** Y N

What college do you plan to attend? _____

What is your intended career? _____

Financial Information:

List estimated educational expenses for an academic year at preferred school (also referred to as Cost of Attendance):

Tuition & Fees: _____

Books: _____

Room & Board: _____

Total Expenses: _____

List anticipated or known sources of support and estimated amounts to meet expenses listed:

Part-time work: Y N _____

Loans: Y N

Grants and Scholarships: Y N _____

Parent Contribution: Y N _____

Your Savings: Y N

Total Resources: _____



Work experience:

Are you currently employed? Y N

If so, list employer(s), type of job, and hours per week you work:

What types of past employment have you had?

In Submitting this application for review, I agree:

- That the information contained in it is true, to the best of my knowledge.
- If I am granted an award, barring any unforeseen circumstances, I will continue my plans for study as indicated in this application.
- I have enclosed these required portions of the application:

- ____ Completed Application Form
- ____ Transcripts & SAT Test Scores
- ____ Student's Personal Statement
- ____ Letters of Recommendation
- ____ Financial Need Forms (optional)

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____