



Royal Business Bank

2026 Royal Business Bank Scholarship Program Official Rules

This sweepstakes is subject to the restrictions, qualifications, and conditions provided in these official rules. This sweepstakes is void where prohibited.

Eligibility Requirements

1. **Royal Business Bank Account Holder:** It is not a requirement for applicants to have an existing deposit or lending relationship with the Bank. *There is absolutely no cost for an applicant to participate.*
2. **Royal Business Bank Employees & Family:** Royal Business Bank employees and their family members are not eligible to participate in this promotion.
3. **Citizenship:** Applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents.
4. **Academic Standing:** Must be a graduating high school student with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
5. **Enrollment Status:** Open to all graduating seniors and class of 2026 high school graduates who are either currently enrolled or will be enrolled full-time for the 2026-2027 academic year in any field of study at an accredited trade school, or in a two to four year U.S. College/University program.
6. **Age to Participate:** You must currently be a senior in High School and over the age of 18 to participate. If applicant is a senior and under the age of 18, the application must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Documentation Requirements for Scholarship Consideration

7. **Tax Return Submission to demonstrate Financial Need:** Must provide your latest tax return. If you have not filed a return, a filed return for the household you reside may be submitted. The applicant must have a financial need for this award in order to attend school later this year.
8. **FAFSA:** Must provide copy of students Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA).



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9. **Assessment Area:** You must maintain a permanent residence within one of the following assessment areas of the bank:

- a. Los Angeles County, CALIFORNIA
- b. Orange County, CALIFORNIA
- c. Ventura County, CALIFORNIA
- d. Clark County, NEVADA
- e. Cook County, ILLINOIS
- f. Honolulu County, HAWAII
- g. New York County, NEW YORK
- h. Kings County, NEW YORK
- i. Queens County, NEW YORK
- j. Richmond County, NEW YORK
- k. Middlesex County, New Jersey

10. **Application Form:** Must submit a completed Application Form.

11. **Mentor Endorsement Form:** Must submit one (1) completed Mentor Endorsement Form.

12. **Essays:** Must submit two 500-word Essays.

13. **Transcript:** Must provide a copy of the student's High School Transcript(s).

Note: All documentation must be submitted in electronic format (PDF). Further, the information should be submitted through [secure] or secure: email to the Bank.

To submit a secure email, please ensure that [secure] or secure: should be at the beginning of the subject line, and should be separated from the rest of the subject with a space.

For example:

[secure] Application Form

secure: Transcript



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Application Process

1. **Online Application:** All applications must be submitted through the bank by the deadline of **May 17, 2026, at 11:59 PM Pacific Time**. All applications will be securely emailed to CRA@rbbusa.com with all required submissions (seen below). Please write “2026 RBB Scholarship Application – First Name Last Name” in the email Subject Line.

2. **Required Submissions:**
 - a. A completed Application Form.
 - b. One (1) completed Mentor Endorsement Form.
 - c. All high school transcripts.
 - d. Two 500-word essays (in application).
 - e. Tax Return(s)
 - f. Resume

If selected as a scholarship recipient, recipients must submit a copy of the most recent tax return filed and a copy of resume.

3. **Notification of Interview:** The applicant will be notified of their invitation to the next and final step which would be the Interview. The applicant will be notified via email through the Royal Business Bank on **May 18th, 2026**.

4. **Scholarship Interview Period:** Interviews will be conducted for applicants during **May 26, 2026 through June 10, 2026**.

5. **Scholarship acceptance/denial notification:** Applicants will be notified of the status of their scholarship application on **June 12, 2026**.

Judges Selection Criteria

1. **Academic Excellence:** Based on GPA, rigor of coursework, and academic achievements. If you are going to school and also working or perhaps volunteering, please provide additional details. Scoring weight 10%.

2. **Mentor Endorsement Form:** Scoring weight 10%.

3. **Leadership & Community Service:** Demonstrated through extracurricular activities, volunteer work, or leadership roles. Scoring weight 20%.



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4. **Essay Quality:** Evaluated for originality, clarity, impact, and insight into the Applicant’s character, academic potential, and leadership abilities. Scoring weight 35%.
5. **Interview Results:** The incumbent will be evaluated on his/her communication skills and ability to clearly answer questions. Scoring weight 25%.

Key Dates of Promotion

Deadline for submitting completed application at 11:59.59:	May 17, 2026
Notification of Interview:	May 18, 2026
Scholarship Interview Period:	May 26, 2026 – June 10, 2026
Notification of Award Winners:	June 12, 2026
Award Date Distribution:	August 3, 2026

Terms and Conditions

There is absolutely no purchase or payment of any kind necessary to enter or win this sweepstake. The purchase of services from Royal Business Bank will not improve your chances of winning a scholarship.

1. **Applicants Must Satisfy all Entry Requirements:** All applicants must satisfy the Eligibility Requirements (listed above), complete and submit all documentation requirements electronically (listed above), and if selected, applicants must participate in an interview.
2. **Entry Deadline:** All applications must be completed and submitted no later than May 17, 2026, at 11:59PM Pacific Time. Applications that are late or incomplete will not be considered.
3. **Application Documents Submission:** All documents must be submitted online and in PDF format. Application submissions must be securely emailed to CRA@rbbusa.com with all “Required Submission” documents. Applications that are dropped off at the branch are not considered received by the Bank unless submitted online. All submitted documentation is the property of Royal Business Bank and will not be returned to applicants.



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4. **Application Verification and Review:** Royal Business Bank reserves the right to verify all submitted application materials are original and have not been plagiarized or copied or were generated through the use or assistance of Artificial Intelligence (AI). The Bank will disqualify any applicant found to have submitted false or misleading information or plagiarized/AI content.
5. **Computer-related Application Failure:** The bank has absolutely no liability or responsibility for any computer-related failure that results in applications not being submitted prior to the deadline. Such failures may include, but are not limited to, computer, internet, network, operating system, viruses, or malware, which are all beyond the control of the Bank.
6. **Odds of Winning:** The odds of winning are not known because it depends on 1) how many completed applications are received by the Bank and 2) the results of your two (2) 500-word essays as well as the results of the scoring criteria. The bank will award one (1) \$5,000 Scholarship to five (5) different applicants for a grand total of \$25,000.
7. **Scholarship must be used for Tuition:** The award must be used for tuition. Funds will be sent from the Bank directly to the student's school of choice by August 3, 2026. The \$5,000 award is a one-time, non-renewable amount and cannot be deferred.
8. **Winner Notifications:** The scholarship recipient will be notified via email as well as contacted via telephone.
9. **Use of Likeness for Marketing Purposes:** All Scholarship winners will be required to sign a publicity release form granting Royal Business Bank permission to use their name, photograph(s), and general information for promotional purposes.
10. **Unawarded Prizes:** In the event there are prizes that are not claimed, the bank will select the application with the next highest score from the pool of all applicants. This process will continue until all scholarships are awarded and claimed.



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11. **Non-substitution of Prizes:** The Bank will not offer any prize substitutions for the five (5) \$5,000 scholarships that will be awarded. In addition, winners will not have the right to request the prizes cash equivalent.

12. **Final Decision:** The Banks decision of the winners is final and not open to appeal or challenge.

13. **Privacy:** Information collected as part of this sweepstakes will not be sold. All data collected will only be used to judge the application package that is submitted by the applicant. Race and National Origin data is only being used in accordance with the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) requirements. Please refer to the Bank's Notice at Collection for additional details found on the bank's website: www.rbbusa.com

14. **Listing of Winners:** To obtain a list of winners, please send your request with a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Royal Business Bank, 1055 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1200, Los Angeles, CA 90017, Attn: CRA Department – Scholarship. You may also submit an email request to CRA@rbbusa.com.

This sweepstakes is being solely offered by Royal Business Bank, 1055 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1200, Los Angeles, CA 90017. (213) 627-9888. These official rules can be found on the Bank's main website: www.rbbusa.com.

Note: By submitting all required documentation, applicants acknowledge reviewing all the rules and agree to all terms and conditions for entry.