Military Spouse Association, Camp Pendleton
2026-2027 Scholarship Application

The Military Spouse Association of Camp Pendleton is pleased to announce its scholarship program covering the academic year 2026-2027. The number of scholarships awarded is based on funds allocated by the MSACP Board through income generated during the MSACP year (July 1, 2026 through May 31, 2027).

APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1, 2027

Applications are open to dependents whose sponsors are active-duty, retired, or deceased members of the U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, or other sister services. Active-duty sponsors must be currently assigned to a Marine Corps unit or Marine Corps base tenant organization located within a 50-mile radius of Camp Pendleton. If the applicant's sponsor is a retiree, the retiree must have been honorably retired from the United States Navy or the United States Marine Corps by the time the scholarship application is submitted. Individuals whose United States Navy or United States Marine Corps sponsor is deceased may also apply. For all applicants—regardless of whether the sponsor is active-duty, retired, or deceased—both the sponsor (if living) and the applicant must reside within a 50-mile radius of Camp Pendleton.

The scholarships will be awarded in four categories so be sure to answer the questions properly to be taken to the correct essay question: (1) High school applicants are defined as graduating seniors to include those in homeschooling programs in pursuit of an accredited associates or baccalaureate degree at full-time status (2) Full-time undergraduates (non-spouse dependent) pursuing their first associates or baccalaureate degree at an accredited institution (3) Military spouses pursuing an accredited undergraduate, graduate or professional certification at part-time or full-time status. For undergraduate scholarship applicants, they must be pursuing their first accredited baccalaureate degree (4) Full-time pursuit of a vocational /trade program, which must apply towards the pursuit of their first associate or a baccalaureate degree.

Full-time is defined as the course load determined by the institution. The Scholarship will be disbursed to the college after registration to pay for tuition, fees, and books. Scholarships may not be used to cover room and board expenses. The MSACP Scholarship Committee must receive registration confirmation prior to

disbursement of funds. If documentation of full-time/part-time status is not provided, the scholarship is forfeited. Scholarship funds will not be disbursed in excess of what is charged by the institution.

All applicants will be judged on the basis of educational achievements, written composition, and extracurricular activities. Essays will be graded based on content, organization, closing paragraph, spelling, and grammar. Essays must be double spaced, typed in 12pt font with one-inch margins, and should be 400 to 500 words in length, with the pages numbered on the bottom. **DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME ON YOUR ESSAY**. Applicants must upload one copy of their valid military dependent I.D. card (front and back).

If an MSACP Scholarship recipient should later be awarded full tuition and expenses such as ROTC, the Service Academies, or the California College Promise Grant, they will be deemed ineligible, and the MSACP Scholarship will be forfeited. MSACP Scholarship recipients may not also receive a scholarship from neighboring base spouse organizations in the 50-mile radius. This is to ensure more students benefit from our organization's year-long efforts. The deadline for filing an application is March 1, 2027. Please review your application for accuracy and completeness. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 30, 2027 and will be sent further paperwork to complete. Questions can be directed to the MSACP Scholarship Chair: scholarship@msa-cp.org



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