

2026 Firebird Scholarship Application

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number (Area Code Included) _____

Email Address: _____

Current School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number (Area Code Included) _____

Current GPA: _____ Expected Date of Graduation: _____

School for Scholarship (If Different) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number (Area Code Included) _____

Field of Study/Major: _____

I, _____, understand that this application is kept confidential, will be anonymized before review, and will be available only to qualified people who need to see it in the course of their duties. I understand the Firebird Scholarship Committee may contact my current/future school and/or those I have listed as references, without my prior notice, in regards to this application. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf. I affirm that all of this application, including my personal essay(s), is my own work or formally cited from other sources. I affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Applicant # _____
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On a separate page(s), please answer the following questions in a typed format:

1. List names and graduation years of your relatives that graduated from St. Peter Chanel High School, or those who worked for the school and their years there. Include contact information for those we may contact as references. List up to 4.
*If you are a member of The Cerebral Palsy Christmas Party volunteers, please write a short response (5-6 sentences) regarding your experience and move on to Step 2.
2. List the names and addresses of all the K-12/post-secondary education institutions you have attended. Please include study-abroad and exchange programs.
3. List your school and extracurricular activities, such as student government, sports, publications, music/performance and/or service programs. Include any positions of leadership or responsibility.
4. List and briefly describe any work, internship, and/or volunteer experiences.
5. List awards, scholarships, publications or special recognitions you have received.
6. Answer ONE of the prompts, listed on the next page, in an essay of at least 350 words.

Send your signed application page and typed responses to:

St. Peter Chanel Alumni Foundation

Firebird Scholarship Committee

7293 Langerford Drive

Parma, OH 44129

For any questions regarding the submission of your application, you may contact:

Lauren Fiorucci '07 – Scholarship Committee Chairperson

(216) 262-0642

LEFiorucci214@gmail.com

Or visit our website <http://www.stpeterchanelfoundation.org/>

****Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2026****

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2026 Essay Prompts

In at least 350 words, write an essay that answers ONE of the following prompts. Essays must be original with any citations, if needed. Essays previously submitted for this scholarship cannot be re-submitted. 2026 Applications must contain a response answering a prompt from this 2026 application; essays for prompts from previous years will not be accepted.

1. "To promote literature in this rising empire and to encourage the arts, have ever been amongst the warmest wishes of my heart" – George Washington. Consider your favorite books, movies, works of art, etc. How have these influenced your life in a meaningful way? Why are they your favorites?
2. Winston Churchill said, "Success is not final. Failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." Tell us about a time that you failed and what you learned from it.
3. "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." -Eleanor Roosevelt. What do you dream for the future? How do you think it can be made manifest?
4. Reflect on a tradition—whether it's a family, cultural, or societal one—that holds significance for you, this could be positive or negative. Explain how this tradition has influenced your identity, values, or worldview.
5. If you could design a college course that every college student would have to take, what would the course be, what would they learn, and why is it important to learn it?

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