



Registration Form Questions

The questions below are provided for your convenience and informational purposes. Once you have selected a recommender and gathered the necessary information to answer all of the questions below, you must submit the Registration Form online in order to complete the first step of the application process. We recommend completing this step by January 13, 2025 to allow adequate time for the application and teacher recommendation.

- First Name
- Last Name
- Date of Birth
- Email Address
- Primary Phone Number
- Can we send text messages to this phone number about your application?
- Secondary Phone Number
- Partner Organization (this is one of the following: Young Eisner Scholars, Roxbury Latin, Loyola High School, Marymount High School)
- Have you verified that your household income is within the eligible range?
- Do you intend to enroll full-time at a 4-year, accredited non-profit college/university for fall immediately following your high school graduation?

Teacher Recommendation Information

- What is the first name of the person completing your teacher recommendation?
- What is the last name of the person completing your teacher recommendation?
- Email address of recommender?
- Where does your recommender work?
- What position does your recommender hold at their workplace?
- How long has your recommender known you?
- Describe how you know and/or have interacted with your recommender.

Application Questions

The questions below are provided for your convenience and informational purposes. Once you have gathered all the necessary information, you must complete and submit the online application form no later than February 3, 2025, to apply to the LOC Scholars program. Please contact us at locscholars@areterising.org if you need assistance.

Note: *As part of the LOC Scholars Program, we host an annual Scholars Weekend to help build community among our scholars. If selected as a LOC Scholar, you and at least one parent or guardian will be required to attend. Scholars Weekend 2025 will take place from July 11-13, 2025, in Los Angeles. All expenses for the weekend will be covered.*

General Information

- First and last name
- LOC Scholars Applicant ID Number
 - *This number was emailed to you after you registered. It is case-sensitive and must be entered exactly as it appears in your email.*
- Email Address
 - *Use the same email address that you used when you registered.*
- Photo
 - *Please upload a headshot-style photo of yourself. The photo should show your face and shoulders and may be taken on a cell phone.*
- Street Address, City, State, Zip Code
 - *House number and street. Include apartment number if applicable.*
- Is your mailing address the same as the address listed above?
- Which high school do you attend?
- Enter the URL of your high school's website.
 - *e.g., www.centralhighschool.com*
- Is your high school a public school or a private school?
- First parent or guardian name
- Relationship to you
- First parent or guardian Email Address
- First parent or guardian Phone Number
- Which is the highest level of education of your first parent or guardian?
 - *Options include: Not applicable, Some high school (no diploma), high school, workforce or vocational training (non college), some college (no degree), associate's degree, bachelor's degree, master's degree, doctorate degree or higher.*
- Please list the institutions of higher education or training attended by your first parent/guardian and degrees awarded.
- What is the occupation of your first parent/guardian?

- Who is your first parent/guardian's employer?
- Do you have a second parent or guardian?
- Second parent or guardian name
- Relationship to you
- Second parent or guardian email address
- Second parent or guardian phone number
- Which is the highest level of education of your first parent or guardian?
 - *Options include: Not applicable, Some high school (no diploma), high school, workforce or vocational training (non college), some college (no degree), associate's degree, bachelor's degree, master's degree, doctorate degree or higher.*
- Please list the institutions of higher education or training attended by your second parent/guardian and degrees awarded.
- What is the occupation of your second parent/guardian?
- Who is your second parent/guardian's employer?
- Which adult guardians do you primarily live with?
- What is your parent's or guardian's marital status?
- Please select your gender
- Please select your ethnicity
- Are you a US citizen?
 - *Note: all students whether citizens, permanent residents, or undocumented are eligible to apply. This information is collected for our organizational purposes only. We maintain the confidentiality of all applicants and their families.*
- Were you raised in a single-parent household?
 - *For the purposes of this question, "single-parent household" refers to a household consisting of a parent or caregiver and one or more dependent children, without the presence or support of a spouse or adult partner sharing parenting responsibilities.*
- Are you a foster youth or ward/dependent of the court?
- Are you first-generation American?
 - *For the purposes of this question, "first generation" is defined as the first generation of your immediate family to be born in the U.S. to immigrant parents.*
- Within your family, are you the first generation to attend college? *
 - *For the purposes of this question, the first generation to attend college means that neither one of your parents has a 4-year degree from a college or university in the U.S. If neither one of your parents has a 4-year degree from a college or university in the U.S. then you are considered first generation to attend college, even if one or more of your siblings has attended college.*

Financial Information

- What size is your household?
 - *For the purposes of this application, your household is defined as you, the person(s) who claims you as a dependent, and their other dependents.*
- Please list the people in your household and their relationship to you.
- What is your household's total annual income (in dollars) from all sources, including step-parents and spousal and child support?
 - LOC Scholars are selected from households that are in the middle-class income range, as defined by the US Census Bureau's American Community Survey.*
- Please list the value of any student or family savings, investments, 529 plans, trusts, or other educational benefits.
- Optional: Please share any details about the number above to help us understand your family's financial situation.
- Do you have family members who are currently attending college?
- Optional: briefly explain any special family or financial circumstances, including other significant financial obligations that impact your ability to pay for college.
- Please upload your family's prior-year (2023) federal tax return.
- Type your initials below to certify that this tax return, together with the other information listed above, is representative of you and your family's trust financial capacity.

Academic Information

- What is your cumulative unweighted GPA, specified to two decimal points?
 - *Please include freshman, sophomore, and fall semester junior year grades in your calculation. If your high school does not use a 4.0 scale, please convert to a 4.0 scale.*
- Be ready to list all previous high school classes through Fall semester Junior Year. Include the letter grade received and the total credits possible for each course.
 - *Do not count classes you are currently enrolled in for Spring Junior Year.*
- Have you ever failed a class (9th grade through present)?
- Have you ever been placed on probation, suspended from school or any program, or formally charged with a crime in a court of law?
- Please explain or share context around any failing grades you have received.
- Please explain or share context around any of the disciplinary actions listed above that you have received.
- Please upload your High School Transcript through your fall semester Junior Year.

Extracurricular Information

For the purposes of this section, extracurricular activities include the following: work or internship, clubs/student organizations, student leadership roles, volunteer activities, sports, performance & creative arts, and caretaking responsibilities. In the space below, list all extracurricular activities you have participated in during high school, which years you participated in it, and estimate the number of hours per week spent on that activity during junior year. Indicate if you have held a leadership position or received any awards or special recognition in that activity. Add an additional row for each extra-curricular activity you wish to highlight.

- Please elaborate on one of the extracurricular activities that is most significant to you and tell us why.
- Optional: If you have faced any barriers that have limited your participation in extracurricular activities, please tell us here.

Essay Responses

Please save each essay response as a separate document that can be uploaded below. The suggested word count for each essay is 300 - 500 words. *Please include the essay number AND your name in BOLD on the TOP LEFT CORNER of EVERY page of your essay documents. Please also include the page number in the LOWER RIGHT corner of EVERY page.*

Essay 1: We are eager to learn more about you and the environment that has nurtured your ambitions and driven your achievements. Reflect on the critical influences and challenges you've encountered. How have these experiences molded you into the individual you are today, and how do you envision them guiding you in realizing your full potential?

Essay 2: Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.