



Endorsement and Application Instructions

Deadline: Wednesday, September 11, 2:30pm

Selection Criteria (from park.ncsu.edu)

Park Scholars are selected on the basis of academic merit, exemplary character, exceptional potential for leadership, and the sense of promise that they may one day make contributions of enduring importance to the betterment of the human condition. The goal of the selection process is to identify young people who demonstrate high academic achievement and leadership, as well as those with unusual aptitudes, uncommon talents and special gifts of creativity or entrepreneurial acumen. Financial need is not a consideration.

To be eligible for a Park Scholarship (valued at \$111,000), candidates **must**:

- be United States citizens (permanent residents are ineligible), and
- apply for fall, first-year admission into a baccalaureate program at NC State.

Students selected as Park Scholars exhibit the following behaviors:

Scholarship

- Desire to master subjects and seek learning experiences outside the classroom;
- Take the most challenging courses available at their high schools;
- Have excellent academic standing and strong standardized test scores; and
- Are curious.

Leadership

- Assume formal leadership roles such as team captain, student body president, and other elected officer positions in the school or community, OR show exceptional success or aptitude in endeavors such as Science Olympiad or fields such as music, art, creative writing, or mathematics;
- Listen well and influence and support others by setting good examples; and
- Take risks and champion new, original ideas.

Service

- Show concern for others by identifying needs and working to meet them; and
- Find a way to improve life for those around them.

Character

- Set positive examples for others and have the personal fortitude and integrity to do what is right, even when they are in the minority; and
- Demonstrate the highest levels of integrity, honesty, and conscientiousness.

Heritage High encourages all interested seniors to apply, however, only two students will be endorsed by Heritage High School.

Instructions for Applicants

1. Complete the interest form, attach your writing response and resume, and return to Student Services no later than Monday, September 9 at 2:30pm. Selected endorsement candidates will be interviewed on Thursday, September 26. Ms. Williams will confirm the time and location.
2. Complete the application for admission and Park Scholarship application by November 1.
3. If not endorsed by HHS, you must self-endorse for the scholarship by November 1.
4. Complete the Park application by November 1 (if not endorsed by HHS, you'll be considered a direct applicant).

NCSU Park Scholarship Endorsement Interest Form

(due to Student Services no later than Monday, September 9 at 2:30pm)

Part One

Name _____

Email (for college admissions) _____

Cell or Home Phone _____

Weighted GPA _____

Highest SAT CR _____ Test Date _____

Highest SAT Math _____ Test Date _____

Highest ACT Composite _____ Test Date _____

Part Two.

Please type your response to the following (one page or less, 1" margin, single, 1.5 or double space):

What are you passionate about? Describe specifically how you have demonstrated scholarship, leadership, service and character throughout high school. What do you hope to attain by being a Park Scholarship recipient?

Part Three.

Attach your resume.